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"Support the Constitution, which is the Cement of the Union ... all in its Limitations as in its Authorities."—Madison.

FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT

Formation of State and City Administrative Bodies in Public Schools.

LECTURE BY LYMAN B. STOWE.

System for Teaching Children, Civics and Good Citizenship Outlined Before Equal Suffrage League.

What is believed by the sympathizers of the Equal Suffrage movement to be one of the best methods of educating the young in citizenship so that the minds of young girls may become the mature minds of women properly trained in civics, is the institution of School Cities or State governments in the different public schools of the city. The plans for such an innovation were explained *last evening in the* Y. M. C. A. auditorium by Lyman Beecher Stowe, grandson of Harriet Beecher Stowe. This lecture was given under the auspices of the Equal Suffrage League, of Plainfield and North Plainfield and proved highly interesting to those present.

Mr. Stowe declared that the teaching of pupil self-government in the public schools of the land had passed beyond the experimental stage and is now in successful operation in over a thousand schools in the Eastern States. The system, of which there are many, is that invented by Wilson L. Gill, of Philadelphia, and it has been an unqualified success from its very inception. Concrete examples of the working out of the system were given by the speaker. He showed that even color and sex have no bearing on the fitness of the young magistrates who look after the deportment of the pupils and while the principals of the schools will not admit that much improvement along that line is noticeable it is shown by itself in various ways that are all too obvious to the observer.

The plan is simple. By first interesting the pupils of a school in real government by having them write compositions on municipal and State administration, they are soon placed *in a receptive condition for the installation* of the system. They will elect their own Governor, or Mayor as the case may be, and from these dignitaries down to patrolmen and other petty officials the complete system of government is embarked. As to its bearing on the equal suffrage question, it is obvious. The great argument against giving the vote to women held out by the anti is "the unpreparedness for the ballot," but with the institution of self government in the public schools, there begins a training of the female mind which will eventually remove this great objection and nothing remains to object to.

Mr. Stowe is a member of the School Citizen Committee, of New York, whose aims and objects are to co-operate with the school authorities in vitalizing the training for citizenship by some mode of pupil self-government. It is the principle of self-government as a training for the duties of citizenship rather than any of its various forms that the promoters are interested.

The committee assumes that educators realize that the too often deplorable municipal conditions in this country spring from the apathy of citizens and that political inertia comes from an ignorance of civics and a realization of the duties and opportunities of citizenship.

These school cities and States have been established in Orange, Newark, Elizabeth, Kearney and Montclair, and are operating with great success. Mr. Stowe said that he had interviewed several Congressmen at Washington on the subject and that without an exception they were heartily in favor of the scheme and were much interested in its workings. One of these men declared that it was the best method of educating the woman up to the point of knowing when, where and how to vote on any question affecting the country.

Instances were cited by the speaker where young girls had been elected mayors and judges, and where they had proved to have had splendid executive ability and while they were *not found to devote themselves* to the technicalities of debate they were "right on the job" with the subject matter. Some of the school states have been organized on the order of the George Jr., Republic, which has become famous all over the country and the following out of the principles laid down by the different governments have proved themselves highly educative and comprehensive in their determining of citizen character among both sexes.

Instances of where the children demanded the joining of the girls and the reasons for it were given. Boys declared that the girls would

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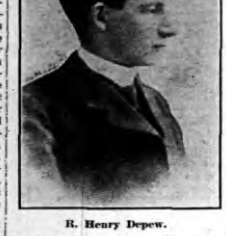
R. H. DEPEW PRESIDENT, STATE TRUST COMPANY

At a meeting of the newly elected board of directors of the State Trust Company, for the purpose of organization, yesterday afternoon, R. Henry Depew was unanimously elected President in the place of William A.



R. Henry Depew.

Clark. The latter, who owing to ill health and consequent anticipated extended absence from the city, asked to be relieved. In meeting his request, the Board passed a resolution thanking him for the assistance he had rendered the institution since its organization.

Mr. Depew, who is a large property owner in this city, brings to the company much valuable business experience having for years been head of the brokerage corporation of Abram S. See & Depew, the oldest insurance brokerage corporation in New York city. It having been established in 1857. He is also President of the Walter Walton Company, of New York; president of the People Lobby of New Jersey; president of the Bi-Partisan Municipal League of Plainfield, and president of the Plainfield Protective Association.

The other officers elected were Edward F. Feickert, first vice-president; M. C. VanArsdale; second vice-president, and Frederic Coriell, secretary-treasurer.

The report of the first vice-president showed the company to be in a very flourishing condition. It has 1,135 accounts on its books, its deposits have increased more than 60 *per cent. and the business is already* earning fixed charges and 5 per cent. on the capital stock.

The officers received the congratulations of the stock holders on the splendid showing made.

MRS. WHEELOCK DIES IN HER 85TH YEAR

Mrs. Harriette Efner Wheelock, wife of the late William Almy Wheelock, aged eighty-four years, died this morning at 3 o'clock at her home, 240 East Ninth street. She had been an invalid for several years. She was born in New York city, but many years lived in the Washington Heights section. She had a summer home at Easthampton, L. I., and she came from that place to Plainfield last September so that she might be near her daughter, Mrs. George H. Strong, of Central avenue.

Mrs. Wheelock was a faithful member of the Washington Heights Presbyterian church, New York, for many years, and always retained her interest in the church. Beside a daughter, Mrs. Wheelock is survived by a son, W. E. Wheelock, of Morristown. The notice of funeral will be given later.

LECTURE ON SOCIAL IDEALS AT P. H. S. AUDITORIUM.

Henry T. Bailey, formerly Commissioner on Art Education in Massachusetts, now editor of School Arts Magazine, will speak tonight in the High School auditorium, on "The Social Ideals in Education."

The general public of the City and Borough will be welcome to attend with the teachers. Admission free.

Nurses to Hold a Mass Meeting.

The public is invited to attend a mass meeting under the auspices of the New Jersey State Nurses' Association to be held in the Church of *the Redeemer, Broad and Hill street,* Newark, Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and at the Free Public Library, Newark, at 8 o'clock. Miss Isabel McIsaac, interstate secretary of the Nurses' Association Alumnae of the United States, and other prominent speakers will address both meetings, speaking particularly to pupil nurses at 8:30 in the evening.

—Try "Daily Press want ad.

EDWIN HAVILAND DEAD

Prominent Friend Passed Away Today in Seventy-Ninth Year.

HAVILAND CHINA IMPORTER.

Born in Elias Hicks Homestead—His Father A Well Known Druggist—Three Children Survive Him.

Edwin Haviland, aged 78 years, a well-known Friend, and a resident of this city for a great many years, died this morning at his home on East Second street *from the infirmities* of old age. He had been practically an invalid for the past year.

Mr. Haviland was the son of James Cromwell Haviland, who, years ago, was one of the best known wholesale druggists in New York city. The latter purchased the homestead of Elias Hicks, founder of the Hicksite Friends, at Jericho, L. I., and it was in that house that Mr. Haviland was born. Later he removed to Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, and then to Plainfield in 1874.

Mr. Haviland was a member of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Museum of Natural History and the Hardware Club, of New York. For many years he was the agent in this country for the celebrated Haviland china. He retired seven years ago. He was a member of the Religious *Society of Friends in Brooklyn,* and the burial will be in the Friends cemetery, Brooklyn. The notice of funeral will be given later.

Mr. Haviland is survived by one daughter, Miss Caroline Haviland, of this city, and two sons, Edward Haviland, Jr., of Seattle, Wash., and Dr. C. M. Haviland, of Fort Collins, Col.

THREE TEAS GIVEN YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

There was considerable activity among society folk yesterday afternoon, when several teas and "at homes" were held throughout the city. Mrs. William M. Sandford, of East Front street, gave a tea and reception for her daughter, Mrs. Edgar Harrison Yule, wife of Captain Yule, U. S. A., who leaves on Tuesday for Portland, Oregon, where the latter is stationed.

Mrs. Yule, Mrs. Sandford, Mrs. W. A. Conner and Mrs. Joseph Sandford received the guests and others assisting were the Misses Isabelle Scott, Mrs. G. H. Campbell, Miss Annie Stewart and Mrs. Fred Metcalf, Christine Scott, Katheryn and Marion Rocap, Helen Davis, of this city, and Florence Tree, of Brooklyn. Mrs. T. S. Davis poured in the dining room. A feature was a fine program of instrumental music by the Tyrolean Players, of New York. There were about 150 guests present *during the afternoon.*

Mrs. R. H. Hood, of Stelle avenue, gave the first of two "at homes" yesterday afternoon, the second one to be on January 24. About one hundred guests were in attendance. The home was attractively decorated with flowers. Mrs. R. H. *Hood received,* and she was assisted by Mrs. E. H. Ladd, Jr., Mrs. Leon Moran, Miss Virginia Hegeman, Miss Dorothy Fleming, Miss Graham and Miss Hannah Starks, of Philadelphia, sister of Mrs. Hood. There were numerous features to make the affair a delightful one for all present.

Another "at home" yesterday was that given by Mrs. Percy H. Stewart, of West Seventh street, this also being largely attended by society folk. The home was tastefully decorated with pink carnations, and there were many delightful features.

Mrs. Stewart was assisted in receiving and in the dining room by Mrs. Daniel F. Ginna, Mrs. Elliot T. Barrows, Mrs. Augustus V. Heely, Mrs. William F. Tallaferro and Mrs. Henry A. McGee. Another similar *affair will be given on January 24.*

On Police Committee Again.

President Toiles re-instated Frank L. Holt as a member of the police committee last night. At the same time he gave his place on the street *and sewer committees to F. E. Mygatt.* This was done chiefly because Mr. Mygatt has been especially interested in sewage and street matters, especially the question of securing improved sewage conditions and because Mr. Holt has proved a valuable member of the police committee. The President's actions will meet with popular approval.

Will Undergo Operation.

Rev. Dr. C. E. Herring, accompanied by his wife, left today for Rochester, Minn., where he will undergo an operation by the celebrated Mayo Brothers. The operation will be for the removal of an obstruction in the neck.

POLICE WANT MORE PAY

Patrolmen's Association Uses 'High Cost of Living' as Argument.

FIREMEN'S REQUEST ALSO.

Pumping Station Contract Awarded—P. S. C. Application to Erect Two Big Drip Oil Tanks is Granted.

The Patrolmen's Benevolent Association petitioned the Common Council, last night, for an increase in wages, claiming that the cost of *living is so high that the members* of the force find it difficult to get along. They request that the minimum salary for the first year be $900, the second, $1,00, the third, $1,100, the fourth, $1,150 and $1,200 for the fifth year. The matter was referred to the police committee. The firemen have also presented a similar petition to the fire and building committee, but it did not come up last night.

The contract for installing a sewage pumping station on Sherman avenue, was awarded to the Blaisdell Machinery Company, of New York, that concern submitting the lowest bid for the work. Earlier in the evening a communication was received from the company in which it stated that if awarded the contract, the work would be done in the best possible manner with an absolute guarantee as to satisfaction.

I. D. Ten Eyck, P. V. Weaver and Hezekiah Hand, constables, were requested to file a certificate of their election before their bonds are passed upon.

A resolution offered by Mr. Buxton and adopted, requested that O. T. Waring, as executor of the estate of Craig A. Marsh, turn over to the city all papers, documents, etc., which are the property of the city.

In accordance with a resolution offered by Mr. Buxton and adopted, the New York Telephone Company was instructed to remove the telephone extension leading from the Mayor's office to that of Tax Collector W. R. Townsend, there being no further use for the same.

Another resolution by Mr. Buxton and adopted, authorized the renewal of last year's arrangement whereby the city will receive copies of all Legislative bills at a cost not to exceed $125. One copy will be on file in the city clerk's office and the other one will be sent to George S. Clay's office, New York, he being chairman of the committe on laws and ordinances.

The application of the Public Service Corporation for a permit to install two 25,000 gallon drip oil tanks on its property on East Fourth street, *was granted on motion of Mr. Tyler.* A fire hydrant was ordered located on Terrill road in response to a petition, a resolution being introduced by Mr. Taylor.

Herbert Buxton and C. C. Randolph was made members of the Board of Schol Estimate through a resolution offered by Mr. Mygatt.

MAYOR MOY VETOES MORE PAY RESOLUTION

Adhering to his policy of economy Mayor Moy last night returned to the Common Council without his approval its resolution increasing the salary of City Stenographer George B. Wean $100. His pay at present is $500 and by the resolution it was sought to raise it to $600.

It was reported today that the resolution would be passed over the Mayor's veto at the next meeting of *the Common Council.*

Chalmers Exhibit Earns the Distinction of Having the Largest Attendance at the Auto Show.

Several new models are shown at the Chalmers exhibit including a *most unique Washington Colonial* coupe, and of foredoor Roadster selling at $1,500. Equipped and pronounced the handsomest Roadster in the show.

Essex Street Heard From.

Residents of Essex street, between Spooner avenue and John street, petition the Common Council last night to macadamize that thoroughfare and put it in good repairs. The matter was referred to the street committee.

Special Policeman.

These were confirmed as special policemen by the Common Council last night following appointment by Mayor Moy: Jeremiah Cash, Miss Mabelle Phillips, W. H. Forrestel, Tucker Johnson and Charlie Wicht.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Struthers have removed from West Front street to Leland avenue.

MERGER MASS MEETING

Former Mayor Saunders to Preside at Consolidation Demonstration.

COMMERCE CHAMBER'S EFFORT

President Babcock Names Delegates—State Trust Company is Made Depository for Funds.

At a meting of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce held in its rooms in the Frost building last night it was decided to call a public meeting some time during the present month to discuss the subject of consolidation of Plainfield and North Plainfield. Former Mayor William L. Saunders will preside at the meeting and speeches will be made by several men interested in the subject.

Judge John Ulrich who was elected temporary secretary at the first meeting of the chamber was re-elected last night for the full term of a year. He is assisted by a stenographer. President George L. Babcock announced former Mayor Charles J. Fisk, *himself* and secretary Ulrich as the delegates to attend the convention of the National Civic Federation which is to be held at the Hotel Astor, New York on January 12, 13 and 14. This convention will listen to addresses by Col. Theodore Roosevelt, *Elihu Root* and Wayne MacVeagh.

Among other busines transacted was the payment of all indebtedness of the chamber up to date. This of course, includes the furnishing of the new rooms and expenses connected with the installation of the new body. The State Trust Company was officially decided upon as the depository of the chamber's funds.

The several committees recently appointed by President Babcock to supervise the banquet to be held on February 13 will meet tonight to talk over plans for the event. The Board of Directors meets the first Monday and the chamber convenes the first Thursday in each month. There are now eighty members enrolled and several applications have been received this week.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON WATER PROBLEM

The special water committee, which has the local water problem in charge, has arranged for a public hearing to be held in the Common Council rooms on Friday night, notice being given at a meeting of the council, last night, and advertisements ordered placed in the official newspapers, through a resolution offered by Mr. Mygatt.

This meeting will be open to the public and every one interested in the water question is urged to attend and they will be given full opportunity to express their opinion on the subject. The committee has held several private conferences for the purpose of securing the opinion of large property-owners and now it is desired that the general public be given a *similar opportunity.*

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY ENTJOY LUNCHEON IN Y. M. C. A. HALL

The Women's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. held a breakfast food luncheon in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon the proceeds of which were for the work of the auxiliary. The chairman of the committee was Mrs. John Roundy.

Miss Marks, demonstrator, showed the women how the food could best be prepared and Herbert E. Parker, secretary of the association, interested those present with an account of the Christmas tree celebration given to the foreign class of the educational department. The affair was a financial success.

Baraca Class Elects.

The Baraca Bible class of the Temple Baptist church held its semi-annual business meeting for the election of officers, in the Baraca class room, last night. These officers were elected: President, Edward Baker, Sr.; *vice-president,* David Rockafeller; secretary, Joseph Baker; assistant secretary, Henry Nischwitz; treasurer, Henry Jaeger; financial secretary, Richard Elliott; Librarian, Peter Lund; organist, David Paterson; teacher, Rev. J. W. Moncur; assistant teacher, Frank Stewart. Refreshments were served during a social hour.

E-M-F Exhibit Makes Big Hit at Garden Auto Show.

Several new models are shown at this exhibit including E-M-F Roadster and pony tonneau at $1,000. This exhibit is one of the best attended and orders are being booked fast.

COSE IS CHAIRMAN OF G. O. P. CITY COMMITTEE

John H. Cose was elected chairman of the City Republican committee, at the annual meeting in the headquarters, the Frost building, last night, succeeding Assistant Prosecutor Walter L. Hetfield, Jr.

John H. Cose.

Arthur Lovell was elected vice-chairman and William R. Townsend was re-elected secretary-treasurer. The thirteen members of the committee were all present.

Mr. Hetfield declined to serve as chairman another year, owing to a pressure of other duties. The member finally decided on Mr. Cose as their choice for the position.

Mr. Cose has been a member of the city committee from the Third Ward for several years and has always been active in politics. He will announce the various committees within a short time. Aside from the re-organization of the committee no other business was considered.

HENRY BROWER WEDS MISS BAKEWELL TODAY

Miss Euphemia Bakewell, daughter of Mrs. Thomas W. Bakewell, of West Eighth street, and Henry Wyckoff Brower, of East Ninth street, will be married at 5 o'clock this afternoon in the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian church. Rev. Dr. J. S. Zelle, pastor of the church, will officiate. A large number of invitations have been issued.

The bride will wear a gown of white satin, embroidered with silver and pearls. The maid of honor will *be Miss Carolyn Hayes, of Pittsburg* and the bridesmaids Miss Margaret Mead, Miss Helen Harman, Miss Aurelia Hughson, Miss Edith Donald, Miss Katherine Williams and Miss Elizabeth McCawley.

The best man will be Harold S. Brown and the ushers will be Allen C. Bakewell, Jr., John P. Nyers, Clifford M. Baker, Dudley H. Barrows, Charles A. King and John I. Brower. A small reception will follow at the home of the bride's mother. After a trip the couple will reside in this city.

CITY TAKES MORE ROOM IN THE SMALLEY BUILDING.

Additional room being needed for the safe keeping of the city's books, papers, etc., the Common Council, last night, through a resolution offered by Mr. Buxton, authorized the Mayor and clerk to execute a lease for rooms 4, 5 and 6, adjoining the Mayor's office. These rooms are now occupied by Arthur Murphy, the lawyer, who will remove elsewhere. The yearly rental of the rooms is to be $450.

The city government now leases the entire building, excepting one room on the ground floor and one on the second floor.

Celebrated His Birthday.

Harold Firstbrook, of Grant avenue, celebrated his thirteenth birthday, last night, by entertaining a dozen young friends at his home. The guests enjoyed music and games for two hours after which refreshments were served. The celebrant received a number of presents in honor of the occasion.

Cutting Ice Again.

The Natural Ice Company started again cutting ice yesterday at Watchung, with a force of one hundred men, it being the desire to fill the ice house as soon as possible. The ice on the Watchung pond is clear and of fine quality.

—Use Press Want Ads.

—Neuman, Bros. are offering an exceptionally fine lot of vegetables at the lowest prices. A selection is easy from such an assortment.

MAYOR'S APPOINTEES ARE NOT CONFIRMED

City Fathers Table His Selections for Board of Health, Assessment Commissioners and Overseer-of-the-Poor.

As freely predicted in political circles, appointments made by Mayor George W. V. Moy and transmitted to the Common Council at its adjourned session last night, were, in effect, 'turned down.' It was the first move made by the new executive to carry out his administration policies, and the fact that his list of appointments, with one exception, was tabled, is taken by the wise ones as indicating that there may be frequent disagreements between the executive and legislative departments of the city government.

These were the appointments sent in by the Mayor for confirmation:

Overseer-of-the-poor — Rev. St. John Fitch.

Board of Health—Dr. William H. Murray, A. E. Force and LeRoy Ellis.

Commissioners of Assessments—Howard C. Tracy, Edward A. Laing and Harry B. McDonald.

Playground Commissioner—Geo. P. Mellick.

Messrs. Tracy and Laing were slated to succeed Freeholder Samuel P. T. Wilbur and State Road Supervisor Robert A. Meeker, both of whom are strong "organization" Republicans. Mr. Tracy is a close political friend of Mr. Moy and was formerly chairman of the New Idea Central Committee. However, there was no political significance in his *or the other appointments.*

The appointment of Rev. Mr. Fitch was made to fill the position which has been occupied for many years by Alexander D. Ayres. He is a retire Baptist minister who has resided here for several years.

Dr. Murray and Messrs. Ellis and Force were selected by the new Mayor to take the places of Dr. B. vanD. Hedges, William C. Kinney and Charles H. Dunham, all of whom have been serving in that capacity for a number of years. Dr. Murray is a member of the State Board of Health. Mr. Ellis is president of the Plainfield Democratic Club. A. E. Force was president of the Merchants' Association. He is also a Democrat. Dr. Hedges, who was booked to go, holds three political positions in the city government, being a director of the Plainfield Library and a member of the Board of Education.

George P. Mellick, whose appointment was the only one confirmed, has been president of the Playground Commission since it was brought in*to existance by former Mayor Fisk.*

The Common Council took a recess todiscuss the appointments privately. Adjourning to a side room, they conferred for about half an hour. The upshot of it was that a motion to table all the appointments except that of Mr. Mellick prevailed. The majority of the city fathers, it was learned strongly opposed the suggested appointees. The argument was advanced by some of them that the present incumbents are all experienced and are rendering satisfactory service in their several capacities. All the office-holders who were slated to be retired are 'organization' men.

Some of the Councilmen argue that Mr. Moy should first have consulted with them as to appointments and it is reliably reported that a committee of their number will seek an interview with him for the purpose of persuading him to withdraw his nominations.

To many it was somewhat of a surprise that the Mayor sent in no names for confirmation for the posi*tions on the tax board or for corporation* counsel. It appears that the city executive is empowered by statute to select four men to compose a tax board. There is also a law giving the Common Council power to form a board of three members without any sanction on the part of the mayor. As yet, Mr. Moy has given no hint as to what action he will take in this matter. The present board consists of Harry C. Van Emburgh, Asa M. Randolph, William T. Kirk and Harry C. Runyon. Local politicians are all in the dark as to what Mr. Moy will do about the corporation counselship, although there have been various rumors that this or that man would be named. As there is no pressing need at this time for the services of a lawyer, it is believed that he will be in no *hurry to fill the office.*

None of the Common Councilmen would say for publication today but

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QUEENSBORO BRIDGE.

Is the Greatest Structure of Its Kind in the World and Cost $20,000,000 to Build.

Measured by the combined length and capacity of its five main spans, the Queensboro bridge, across the East river from Fifty-ninth street, New York, to Ravenswood, Queens, is the greatest bridge in the world. Including approaches, its total length is 8,600 feet, width 86 feet and greatest height over 300 feet above the water. It crosses from shore to shore, 135 feet above the river, with three enormous spans of 1,182 feet, 630 feet and 984 feet, the middle one reaching across the full width of Blackwell's island. Besides these there are two more great "anchor" spans, one at each end, wholly over dry land, with a length of 8,724 feet for the five, which together contain over 105,000,000 pounds of steel. No other spans in this country, except suspension bridges, approach the longest of these, and the only trussed span in the world which exceeds it is the Forth bridge, which, although 1,710 feet long, has a capacity for only two railroad tracks, less than one-third of this. There are two decks, the lower carrying a wide driveway and four electric car tracks and the upper one two sidewalks and two elevated railroad tracks and having in all an estimated capacity of 200,000,000 car passengers and millions of vehicles and pedestrians annually. It cost over $20,000,000.—Exchange.

RULE OF THE SEA.

Old Whaling Law Applied to a Twice Caught Cod.

That etiquette is observed among the fishermen that journey to the fishing banks was discovered by an amateur angler on his first trip.

The amateur hooked a codfish, but his line parted just as the fish was above the water. Back fell the codfish, carrying with him two sinkers and the hook.

Twenty minutes later another angler cried out that he had captured a cod with two sinkers and a hook. The amateur went up to the angler, who appeared to be an old salt, and asked for his hook and sinkers, which had his name stamped on them. He was surprised when the old salt told him to take the fish also.

According to the rules generally followed on the fishing boats, the second angler was entitled to the fish, but the hooks and sinkers should be returned to their owner. The old angler explained why he wanted to give up the fish.

It seems that he had followed the sea a great part of his life. When a young man he was a whaler, and, according to whaling law, a dead whale belongs to the ship whose name appears on the harpoon that killed it. Therefore the old salt figured that the amateur owned the codfish he had taken.—New York Sun.

Euler's Wonderful Memory.

Leonhard Euler, who was born in 1707 and died in 1783 at St. Petersburg, where he spent his life as a teacher of great power and as a prolific writer, was an instance of the genuine mathematician endowed with almost superhuman powers. He left more than 200 manuscript treatises on his favorite subject, and the bulk of the works published by his academy between 1727 and 1783 were from his pen. In his old age he was totally blind. Then he carried in his memory a table of the first six powers of the "series of natural numbers up to 100."

It is related that on one occasion two of Euler's students attempted to calculate a converging series. As they advanced they found they disagreed in the result by a unit in the fifteenth figure. The question was referred to Euler, who decided to make the calculation. He did this mentally, and his result was found to be correct.—New York Tribune.

The Codmoppe.

Herrings are still eaten as much as in the days when Yarmouth had to send a hundred yearly to the king, baked in four and twenty pasties. But where is the codmoppe gone, and what was it like when kings dined off it in Lent? "Codmoppe sauce Hollandaise" would sound most intriguing on a Savoy menu. More original still would be the "rostid perpes" of a Henry V. banquet, which was the "sea swine" of the unrefined Saxon, the "porco marino" of the mediaeval ecclesiast. A maister coke gives an early receipt for "puddyng of purpasse," another teaches how to "salte porpyesse and seele," another how to "undertraunche that purpos." From which it may be seen that enterprise extended also to the spelling of the porpoise.—London Chronicle.

Candymakers' Tricks.

An Atchison man went into a candy factory. He was surprised to see one of the candymakers reach with his bare hand into a pot of boiling candy. He brought out a handful of the boiling fluid. He was testing its consistency. He first put his hand in a pail of water. After he had jerked out his hand he put it back in the water. The Atchison man tried the same thing and did it without getting burned.—Atchison Globe.

Another Boring Question.

"I say, pa, is a man from Poland called a Pole?"

"Yes, my son."

"Then, pa, why isn't a man from Holland called a Hole?"—Comic Cuts.

Insult Added.

Big Man (with a grouch)—Will you be so kind as to get off my feet? Little Man (with a bundle)—I'll try, sir. Is it much of a walk?—Cleveland Leader.

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These galleys differ hardly an iota from the vessels used for the same purpose by rajahs who died centuries past. Incrusted with gold, silver and pearl and decorated with tapestries embroidered with precious metals and jewels, these wonderful modern-ancient vessels lend a festive touch to the river scene. But their sumptuousness does not prevent the richest rajah who possesses one from bathing in the same water, surrounded by 500,000 poorer pilgrims, even though the sacred river is thus piously filled with myriads of microbes. And he will fill great jars with the water in which the pilgrims have washed their bodies and drink it.

In contrast to these floating palaces are the barges of the poorer classes. The system of caste in India imposes upon the riverman the obligation of living on the water as his ancestors lived, so his shabby looking craft is also his home. Usually he has in his floating house a small chapel dedicated to a secondary divinity who personifies the river on which he exists.—Popular Mechanics.

ABSENTMINDED.

A Question the College Professor Could Not Decide Himself.

There is a highly esteemed professor in one of the big colleges who is even more absentminded than most geniuses. His son is a student in the same college. At the beginning of a lecture to his class one morning a look of perplexity overspread the professor's face, and his hearers noted that his thoughts seemed to be wandering from the subject he was discussing. At length he paused for a moment and quietly requested that his son be summoned without delay. The young student, startled by such an unusual message from his father, hastened to him, expecting to find him dead or dying. The professor had not finished his lecture by the time his son arrived and was explaining things in his usual clear and convincing manner. At last the son succeeded in attracting his father's attention, and this extraordinary dialogue took place:

"John, I am surprised," growled the distinguished educator. "What do you mean by interrupting me in this way?"

"Why, father, don't you remember? You sent for me to come at once."

"Oh, yes, to be sure. Now I recollect. It was my fear of annoying your mother. You know how it distresses her, dear soul, if I fail to appear at my meals. I got thinking about this when I started lecturing this morning, and I sent for you to set my doubts at rest. John, please tell me have I had my breakfast yet this morning?"—New York Press.

Not Even the First Step.

Mr. Morse, having bought a new bicycle of the most improved pattern, presented his old one to Dennis Halloran, who did errands and odd jobs for the neighborhood. "You'll find the wheel useful when you're in a hurry, Dennis," he said.

The young Irishman was loud in his thanks, but regarded the wheel doubtfully.

"I mistrust 'twill be a long while befoor I can ride it," he said.

"Why, have you ever tried?" asked Mr. Morse.

"I have," said Dennis gloomily. "A fri'nd lint me the loan o' his whiles he was having the moomps. 'Twas t'ree weeks I had it, an' what wid practicing night an' morning I niver got so I could balance meslif standing still, let alone riding on it."—Youth's Companion.

How He Lost Out.

"It served me right," sighed the bachelor. "I ought to have remembered that women have no sense of humor."

"What's gnawing you now?" queried that inquisitive friend.

"Why, during leap year a pretty girl with an obese fortune proposed to me, and I said 'No,'" explained the bachelor, "thinking, of course, she would take it for granted that my 'No' meant 'Yes,' but she simply let it go at that."—Chicago News.

Trouble All the Time.

Father—It's singular that whenever I want you to marry a man you object and whenever I do not want you to marry one you straightway insist on it. Daughter—Yes, and whenever we are agreed the man objects.—Liverpool Mercury.

How He Looked.

Green—I saw your friend White this morning. Brown—So? I heard he was sick. How did he look? Green—He was looking the other way when I saw him. He owes me $10.—Chicago News.

Mice and Music.

She (reading)—Mice are fond of music and will get as close to it as they can. He—Just cut that out, and I'll send it to the girl in the next flat.—Yonkers Statesman.

Gentility is nothing but ancient riches.—Burleigh.

BAPTIST S. S. BANQUET

Annual Meeting Which Followed Feast, Shows Flourishing Condiction.

GEORGE E. HALL RE-ELECTED.

Finances in Good Condition—Membership Increased—Officers are Elected—Committees Appointed.

The annual meeting and banquet of the Park Aveune Baptist Sunday-school was held on January 3, in the Sunday-school room and the reports of the various departments showed the school to be in flourishing condition, both numerically and financially. The room was handsomely decorated. Tables were arranged in a hollow square, the color scheme was red and green. The banquet preceded the meeting and ...tion, superintendent George E. Hall presiding.

Reports were read by Miss Elmira C. Runyon, superintendent of the elementary department; Martin B. Stutsman, secretary of the school; Joseph M. Harkins, treasurer of the general fund and Willard M. Maxim, treasurer of the benevolent fund.

MissaRunyon said that the year 1910 had been one of the best in the history of the elementary grades, starting the new year with a gain of sixteen new members over last year, the total being 82. The collections from this department for the general fund have amounted to $40.47 and missionary offerings were $13.65. The "birthday" bank received during the year $12.28 while the beginners' "given away" bank showed a total of $10.26. The two latter sums were given to the King's Daughters' Day nursery.

Mr. Stutsman's report showed that *the school membership had passed* the original limit of 200 set as a goal for 1910. The membership is now 221. Thirty-five members were lost owing to removal from the city. Mr. Hawkins' report showed that $1,013.-87 had been received during the year and that there was a balance on hand of $37.23. Mr. Maxim's report of the benevolent fund showed receipts of $320.05 out of which he had disbursed $284.44 which included $15 to Muhlenberg hospital $55.33 to the King's Daughters baby camp and $25 to the day nursery.

Mr. Hall made a speech in which he congratulated the officers and teachers upon their work and the good reports and upon the increasing membership of the classes of Mrs. Gabriel R. Maguire and Judge William N. Runyon; Mayor George W. V. Moy, who teaches the orchestra, was complimented and responded with a short address on "Our School." A rising vote of thanks was given to Charles Van Winkle, *the blackboard artist whose work is* the admiration of the entire school.

The following officers were elected: Superintendent, George E. Hall; associate superintendent, Miss Florence C. Hawkins; superintendent elementary department, Miss Elmira C. Runyon; superintendent intermediate department, Mrs. W. S. Lowry; secretary, Martin B. Stutsman; assistant secretary, Henry F. Cuming; temperance secretary, Mrs. L. A. Udell; treasurer general fund, J. M. Hawkins; treasurer benevolent fund, Willard M. Maxim; librarian, E. F. Vail; pianist, Miss Mary E. Clark; blackboard artist, Charles Van Winkle; orchestra leader, Arthur S. Mosher; superintendent home department, Mrs. D. M. Runyon.

The superintendent has appointed the following Committees for the New Year: Music—Arthur S. Mosher, Miss Mary E. Clark, Miss Arline Brown; missionary—Mrs. Charles Van Winkle, Mrs. G. R. Maguire, Miss Elmira C. Runyon; house—*Charles Van Winkle, Willard M.* Maxim, J. M. Hawkins; entertainment—Miss F. G. Hawkins, Mrs. Ada M. Cumings, Mrs. W. S. Lowry.

LABOR UNION SCORES FORMER SENATOR SMITH

Former United States Senator James Smith, Jr., candidate for the United States Senatorship, is in the bad graces of the Central Labor Union. This fact was evident at a meeting of the central body Thursday night when, after it became known that the Leather Workers' Union, of Newark, had requested the organization to advise the different locals to support Mr. Smith in his fight for the toga, nearly every delegate present arose and denounced the Essex man in bitter terms.

The trouble arose after John Cosgrove informed the delegates that he received a letter from the secretary of the Newark Union asking that the central body use its influence to have the locals support Mr. Smith. "I move," said Mr. Cosgrove, "that a letter be directed to the secretary informing him that the question was before the people early last fall, and that it is too late in the season to call our notice to it." The motion was immediately seconded and received the unanimous assent of all the delegates.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Prayer Meeting Topic For the Week Beginning Jan. 15, 1911.

Topic.—Lessons from great lives—1. Abraham.—Gen. xxii, 1-13. Edited by Rev. Sherman H. Doyle, D. D.

Abraham was the first great character in God's development of a special people through whom the Messiah or Saviour of the world was to come. He is therefore well called "the father of the faithful." He was the head of those who were to believe in one God, first of all the Israelites and later on spiritually the father of all the disciples of Christ. Such a position placed him high in the history of the church of God and has given him an important place in the history of the world. Such a life should be fully read in the Bible in connection with the great lessons taught us from his wonderful career.

Abraham teaches us a lesson on faith—faith in the one living and true God. In the times of Abraham idolatry held absolute sway, with very *few exceptions, and Abraham was one of them. His people were idolaters.* His own family, except himself, believed in and worshiped idols. His father's business was that of selling idols, many of which Abraham is said to have destroyed. In such an age it took great courage to believe in one and a spiritual supreme being, yet Abraham stood the test. Never did he doubt, never falter in his faith. Such faith is greatly needed today. In our age much doubt and skepticism are abroad in the land. Many are confused and fearful. But no one should be. We should be strong, bold, courageous in our faith and not "tossed about by every wave and wind of doctrine." If we be we shall be kept on the jump most of the time. Rather let us "be steadfast and immovable," and, like Abraham, we shall receive our reward.

Abraham teaches us a lesson of obedience. Faith and obedience must go hand in hand. If we believe in God we acknowledge His right to command us, and, being commanded, we must obey. Believing in God when Abraham was called by Him to leave his own country and go to a strange one, which He would show him, Abraham obeyed without question and without hesitation. "Abraham departed, as the Lord had said." How the Lord called him we do not know, nor is it necessary to know. *He did call him, and* Abraham obeyed.

His not to reason why;
His not to make reply;
His but to do or die,

as God desired of him. Would that more such implicit obedience to God existed among His people today! Too many modern Christians are like Jonah rather than Abraham. They are ordered to one place and go to another; they are told to do one thing, but neglect or refuse to do it.

Abraham teaches us a lesson on *faithfulness under test. God desired* for His own all wise purpose to put Abraham to a severe test. Therefore He called upon Him to sacrifice Isaac, his only and long promised son. But Abraham stood the test. He carried out the command of God literally until *God Himself, accepting the will for* the deed, invoked it and blessed Abraham for his stedfastness under such a severe trial. We are being constantly tested and tried. Let us follow the example of Abraham and stand the test, showing an entire consecration to *God that cannot but influence all about* us.

BIBLE READINGS.

Gen. xii, 1-5; xiii, 1-18; xiv, 14-24; xvii, 1-8; xviii, 16-33; xix, 24-29; xxi, 1-4; xxv, 7-10; Heb. xi, 1-6, 8-12, 32-40.

A Christian Endeavor Here.

When the city of Peking, China, was stormed by the international armies in 1900, after the Boxer massacres, the first to reach the top of the wall was a boyish private soldier of the Fourteenth infantry. His name was Calvin P. Titus. He was an earnest Endeavorer, and the honor and promotion that came to him on account of his bravery—he received a medal from congress and President McKinley appointed him to West Point—did not *quench his religious zeal.*

As he desired to enter the ministry, the military authorities have prevailed upon him to be ordained for this work and accept a chaplaincy in the army. He has been ordained in the United Brethren church, and after he has the specified ministerial experience he will be appointed chaplain and will work among the soldiers.

A Missionary Stock Company.

A unique method for collecting missionary contributions has been adopted by the missionary committee of the Granby society, Montreal. A neat card has been printed as follows:

Application for shares in the Granby Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor Missionary and Educational company. I hereby subscribe for —— shares of stock in the above named company. Shares in this company are $1.20 a year, payable monthly (10 cents), the year to end Dec. 31. Name ——— Address ——— Do not subscribe anything if it will reduce your other missionary giving.

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PEN POINTS.

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The joy of Christian Endeavor is its unselfishness.—John R. *Clements.*

CONFERENCE ON WATER

The Mayor and Council Hear the Views of Some Prominent Citizens.

GILBERT FAVORS CONTRACT.

J. O. Osgood and Others Also Express Doubts as to Desirability of the M. O. Scheme—Expert Fuertes Coincides.

No stone is being left unturned by the Councilmanic water committee in ascertaining public sentiment on the report made by James F. Fuertes on the water supply problem as is shown by the fact that another conference of prominent citizens was held Wednesday. On invitation of Frederic E. Mygatt, chairman of the committee, several who have made a study of the subject expressed their *opinion at the two hours' meeting* held in the Common Council's chambers.

Mayor Moy was present as were also R. I. Tolles, D. W. Taylor, W. L. Gloak, Herbert Buxton, G. S. Clay, F. L. Holt and F. L. Montgomery representing the Common Council. Tne expert, Mr. Feurtes, was also on hand. Those who gave the committee the benefit of their views were R. Henry Depew, L. V. F. Randolph, Alexander Gilbert, Joseph O. Osgood, William S. Tyler and George H. Frost.

It was Mr. Gilbert's idea that the city authorities should exhaust every means to make a satisfactory and binding contract with the Plainfield-Union Water Company before going *any further with the municipal ownership scheme.* He gave many sound reasons why such a course would be proferable. To a certain extent, Geo. H. Frost coincided with Mr. Gilbert's belief. Mr. Frost, it is understood, however, has not definitely commit*ted himself in favor of either plan.*

Mr. Osgood was another who took the position assumed by Mr. Gilbert. He did not consider that there would be any advantage in the city bearing the burden of a water plant and was of the opinion that in the long run the experiment would not prove as satisfactory as painted. A most desirable contract, of binding force, sidered would be the better solution of the problem. The legal phases of situation were explained at some length by Mr. Tyler.

The municipal ownership plan, however, found warm supporters in the persons of Messrs. Randolph and Depew as well as Mayor Newton B. Smalley, of North Plainfield. The former two expressed themselves as heartily in favor of the city taking steps immediately to acquire a supply from the Lamington river and to obtain such option as would be necessary for that purpose as speedily as possible. A resolution was introduced to that effect but nothing came of it.

During the conference, Mr. Fuertes answered many questions and it developed that in his expert opinion Mr. Gilbert had the right idea when he advanced that an endeavor first be made to obtain a satisfactory agreement with the private corporation. He said that it would take at least two years to establish a municipal plant and if such decision was arrived at work would have to be begun at once.

MRS. JOSIAH SCHENCK IS BORNE TO GRAVE

Private funeral services for Mrs. Catherine E. Schenck were held at the residence of her son, Rev. Dr. Cornelius Schenck, 904 West Front street, at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Only the immediate relatives were present. Rev. John Y. Broek, pastor of Trinity Reformed church, conducted the services, reading several Scripture selections, offering prayer and making a short address.

Mr. Broek's remarks were based on the words found in Rev. 14-13: "Blessed are the dead who died in the Lord, for they rest from their labors and their works do follow them." He spoke impressively of the godly life of Mrs. Schenck, add*ing that while she was resting from* her earthly activities the influence of her life would never cease. Being dead she yet speaks. No one can estimate the influence of her Christian service, her godly training given to her immediate family, her grand*children and a wide circle of friends.* Eternity will only reveal it."

There were a number of beautiful floral tributes from relatives and friends, including a wreath of galax leaves from the Consistory of Trinity Reformed church. The remains were taken to Millstone, this morning, where a short service was held in charge of Rev. Floris Ferwerda. The burial was in the cemetery at Millstone.

$1,500 a Front Foot.

George J. Finger has bought the property now occupied by him and the Daley Bros. grocery on West Front street. The consideration is said to have been $55,000. The property fronts 36.9 feet on West Front street which brings the rate to $1,500 per front foot.

ATTITUDE OF P. C. C. AS TO GOLF RULES

The form of proxy to be given the Plainfield Country Club delegate Leighton Calkins, at the annual meeting of the United States Golf Association, scheduled for Chicago on January 14, has made its appearance and explains more fully than ever the attitude of the New Jersey organization with regard to future rules legislation.

It will be remembered that a short time ago the Plainfield Country Club at a special meeting passed resolutions antagonistic to the St. Andrews ruling against the mallet-headed putter, an American creation. The form of proxy reads in part as fol*lows:*

"The Plainfield Country Club believes, as heretofore, that the welfare of the game of golf as a world-wide game requires either a single code of rules for the entire world or rules substantially the same in differ*ent countries; but this club does not* believe the entire burden of maintaining this principle should be Association. It believes the principle can be maintained only by being fully recognized in all countries where the game is played.

"Inasmuch as interpretations by the United States Golf Association are in essence change in the rules, this club believes it is not necessary any longer to adopt rules and then amend them by interpretations, but that we should entitle our rules in the name of the United States Golf Association and show in the foot notes the variations from the St. Andrews rules and amend the existing by-laws accordingly.

"This club further believes that having taken said action we should not hereafter make any changes in the rules without submitting the proposed changes to St. Andrews and inviting a conference on the subject. This will prove conclusively our desire to maintain a single code so far *as possible. St. Andrews, if it wishes* can follow our example in that respect.

"It follows that we do not believe rules for Bogey play should be adopted by the United States Golf Association until after being submitted to St. Andrews and their views invited."

P. H. S. ALUMNI ASS'N ELECTION FEBRUARY 21

The Plainfield High School Alumni Association will hold its annual meeting at the high school, Tuesday night February 21, at 8 o'clock, at which time the annual reports will be presented and officers for the ensuing year will be elected. Another prize-speaking contest will be held. The association has offered two prizes of $10 in gold, one to go to the young man and the other to the young woman delivering the best oration or declamation that evening. This contest is open to any young man or young woman in the high school. The alumni association believes that practise in public speaking is an es*sential part of the general education* and desires to encourage the same.

The president, William C. Hubbard, has appointed William D. Murray, Henry Brower and Miss Helen C. Moodey a committee on nominations and Messrs. Charles B. Morse, Theodore J. Gavett and J. O. Osgood, Jr., a committee of arrangements. The judges for the speaking contest will be announced later. After the meeting dancing will be a feature.

All graduates of the high school and all those who finished two years work in the school are eligiable to membership in this association, and, as it has for one of its principal objects the raising of funds to enable boys and girls to obtain a college education, who could not do otherwise, *it should appeal to all those who* would lend a hand.

Coming Theatre Attractions.

Among the attractions booked for The Plainfield theatre by Proctor & Sanderson, are Al G. Fields minstrels on Wednesday, *January 18; Robert* Hilliard in "A Fool There Was," Monday evening, February 6, and Lillian Russell on Tuesday evening, March 28. Other contracts are pending for first-class attractions in the near future.

MATHEWSON OPPOSED TO CHANGE IN BOX.

The agitation in baseball circles against the raised pitcher's box has become widespread and critics here in general admit that the abolition would improve the batting. Pitcher Christy Mathewson's opinion of the proposed elimination of the mound is as follows:

"While it would be as fair for one pitcher as another, there is no question that the lowering of the box would take some of the kinks out of my drop curve. If I was compelled to start the delivery two feet lower naturally I would not get as much break on the ball. I don't think the proposed new rule would affect the spit-ball pitchers in the least. It would help underhand pitchers like Warhop and McGinnity. But in my opinion there would be more free hitting."

Australia raises nearly 10,000,000 acres of wheat a year.

YEAR'S WEATHER REPORT

Precipitation During 1910 Was Far Below Normal Being 40.72 Inches.

HIGHEST TEMPERATURE WAS 98

Prevailing Wind Southwest—Lowest Temperature One Below Zero—129 Rainy Days—104 Clear Days.

The weather record for 1910 as prepared by John Neagle, the local weather prophet, presents some interesting data on a much-discussed topic. The highest temperature 98 degrees was on July 24, and the lowest 1 degree below zero, January 1 and December 10. The mean temperature was 51.7 degrees, normal temperature, 50.8 degrees, annual precipitation, 40.72 inches; normal *precipitation, 49.22 inches; great*est monthly precipitation was in January, 5.88 inches; least monthly precipitation was in July, 0.33 inches; total snowfall for the year was 35.3 inches; the normal amount for the year is 34.6 inches; the total number of rainy days, 114; average number of rainy days, 129; total number days clear, 104; number days partly cloudy, 157; number of days cloudy, 104.

The prevailing wind direction for the year was southwest, as follows: Wind was north twelve days; northeast, 88 days; east, 17 days; southeast, 20 days; south, 3 days; southwest, 118 days; west, 43 days and northwest, 64 days. The precipitation for the year, 40.72 inches is recorded by months together with the normal for each month:

Months	Amount inches	Normal inches
January	5.88	3.89
February	3.79	3.91
March	0.88	3.81
April	5.04	3.90
May	3.14	3.83
June	5.24	4.13
July	0.33	5.40
August	4.94	4.87
September	2.54	4.45
October	2.57	3.65
November	3.83	3.59
December	2.54	3.89
Total	40.72	49.32

The deficiency for the year was [illegible] inches.

The year 1910 was one of the nine years which are recorded for Plainfield in consecutive years in two instances. The first three consecutive years were 1894, 1895 and 1896, with the total amounts of precipitation of 50.59; 39.45 and 47.91 inches respectively. The other six consecutive years were 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, with the total amounts of precipitation of 50.31, 47.83, 47.43, 48.59, 46.10 and 40.72 inches respectively.

The maximum rainfall of any year occurred in 1895 when the annual amount was 82.31 inches. The minimum occurred in 1895, the amount being 39.45 inches. The driest month of the year is on an average, November. The wettest month in July. The greatest monthly rainfall of 15.52 inches occurred in July, 1889 and the least monthly rainfall of 0.33 inches in July, 1910.

The snowfall for the year:

Months	inches Amount	inches Normal
January	1.74	9.0
February	6.5	11.4
March	1.0	6.4
April	trace	0.5
November	0.4	1.9
December	10.0	5.4
Total	*35.3*	*34.6*

The record by seasons in temperature and precipitation was as follows:

Seasons	Temperature degree	normal
Winter	28.6	20.5
Spring	52.5	48.3
Summer	71.3	71.5
Autumn	54.5	53.1
Mean temperature being	51.7	50.8

The precipitation by seasons follows:

Season	inches	normal
Winter	12.21	11.69
Spring	9.06	11.54
Summer	10.51	14.40
Autumn	8.94	11.69
Total	40.72	49.32

The mean temperature for the year being 51.7 degrees. The record for each month is given below with its normal:

Months	degrees	Normal degrees
January	29.4	29.4
February	30.2	30.2
March	44.2	36.6
April	53.4	48.0
May	60.0	60.3
June	67.5	69.3
July	76.0	73.9
August	70.4	71.2
September	67.0	64.4
October	56.0	53.0
November	40.4	42.0
December	26.2	31.9
Means	51.7	50.8

The highest monthly mean was 76.0 degrees occurring in July. The lowest monthly mean 26.2 occurred in December. In comparing with other years, the highest previous mean occurred in July 1901, when it was 77.4. The lowest previous mean occurrred *in January 1904* when that was 21.8 degrees. The highest temperature being 98, July 24.

In comparison, the highest previous temperature was 105, July 26, 1892. The lowest this year 1 below *zero on January 1 and December 10.* In comparison the lowest previous temperature was 13 below zero on January 5, 1904. The number of times the temperature was below freezing was as follows, by months: January, 29 times; February, 23; March, 17; April, 3; October, 4; November, 13; December, 29. The number of times the temperature was above 90 degrees was as follows, June, 4 times; July, 13.

NEEDLESS ALARM ABOUT ALLEGED MAD DOGS

That unnecessary alarm is spread every time a dog appears to act queer is the opinion of Mrs. Stephen G. Van Hoesen as well as mony others who have made the canine a life study. The mad dog scare is becom*ing so common that people are* frightening themselves into convulsions which many physicians wrongly diagnose as hydrophobia, which is another word for "water madness." In speaking of the latest scare which occurred in North Plainfield Thursday, Mrs. Van Hoesen quoted two of the most eminent authorities in this country to prove that the dog was not mad.

Mrs. Van Hoesen quoting from an authority, said: "Many physicians laugh at the idea of hydrophobia. Dr. Charles W. Dulles, the eminent lecturer on the history of medicine, has corresponded on this subject with distinguished medical men in all parts of the world and it seems to be the universal opinion that a true case of rabies has yet to be developed. Dr. Wood, another eminent man, declared that he has accomplished the almost impossible task of personally investigating every reported case of rabies occurring in the United States during the past *sixteen years and has utterly failed* to secure one single instance of real rabies, resulting from the bite of a dog.

Both these men are of the opinion that the convulsions which ultimately cause death and which resemble *the tortures caused by the real dis*ease are nothing more nor less than nervous affections arising from fear. The bitten person giving way to misgivings as soon as the animal's teeth have closed on them. Dr. Parvin, of Jefferson College, another authority, declares that in forty-four years of study of the subject no real case of rabies has been revealed. One special instance of pure imagination was quoted by Mrs. Van Hoesen and that in the family of a relative a child was worried into convulsions three months after being bitten.

A good guide for those who think they see a dog afflicted with rabies is to remember that he always runs in a straight line or finds a secluded spot in which to hide. He never runs in circles or from place to place. The North Plainfield dog was probably sick.

COURSES IN FIRST AID AT Y. W. C. A. BEGINS TOMORROW.

The course in first aid in illness and injury to be given at the Y. W. C. A., during the next ten weeks will open at 8 o'clock this evening. Dr. William H. Murray will give the first talk on "The Object of the Course—general directions for rendering first aid."

All those who expect to enter the evening division are asked to be present this evening and to bring note books and pencils. The afternoon division will meet for the first time for the same lecture on Tuesday, *January 10, at 3:30 o'clock in the af*ternoon. The course is very popular and registration coming in show that both divisions are almost filled.

Leaves Reformed Church.

Rev. William W. Conner, formerly pastor of the Belleville Reformed church, and who is well-known here, has severed his connection with that denomination, and has become a postulant for orders in the Episcopal church. He will go to Great Falls, Montana, his future activities in the religious field being in the far west.

Acquires Pope Property.

The F. L. C. Martin Co. has obtained title to the parcel of the Pope estate at the corner of Park avenue and Fifth street, extending approximately 200 feet on Park avenue and about 250 feet on East Fifth street. The company proposes to erect the handsomest and most commodious garage in the State on this site and will probably begin op*erations in the early spring.*

Trinity's Turkey Supper.

The Ladies' Christian Work Society of Trinity Reformed church has selected Thursday and Friday evenings, January 26 and 27, as the dates for the annual turkey supper in the lecture room of the church. Mrs. E. T. VanWinkle, who so successfully managed last year's supper, will be the chairman of committees again this year.

Foresters to Entertain.

Eleven candidates were initiated into Plainfield Council, No. 1144, I. O. F., last Friday evening. Arrangements for the entertainment are completed and it will be held on January 16. Admission will be by invitation.

STOPPED RUNAWAY TEAM

Marion S. Ackerman Jr., Halts Onrushing Fire Horses in New York City.

DRIVER HAD BEEN THROWN.

Plainfield Boy Drives Four Blocks and With One Hand Stops Frightened Animals—One Man Injured.

Because he was too modest to give his name Marion S. Ackerman, Jr., son of Marion S. Ackerman, of Park avenue, escaped being interviewed *by the ubiquitous New York news*paper reporters Thursday afternoon after performing a deed which while it may not deserve a Carnegie medal nevertheless ought not to be left out of the accounts of herioc performances. In stopping a runaway team of horses hauling a big New York fire engine young Mr. Ackerman has to his credit a daring deed well executed.

It happened Thursday afternoon just after 4 o'clock. Mr. Ackerman who is only about 18 years old, while in the company of some friends who had been with him to St. Nicholas rink, saw the fire team rushing up Columbus avenue at breakneck speed, but driverless. He saw several men make ineffective attempts to *grab the reins Making up his mind* suddenly to make a try for the team himself Mr. Ackerman made a prodigious jump and succeeded in grasping the reins at the instant that he landed on the apparatus. Quickly perceiving that the driver's strap was broken and that his seat would be untenable he clung with one hand to an upright and with the other, after riding for four blocks, succeeded in turning the horses heads and bringing them to a stop.

Mr. Ackerman was soon surrounded by an admiring crowd, but he quickly ducked the inquisitive and made his way back to his friends, none the worse for his experience excepting a blister or two on his hands. Reginald Roland and Miss Timpson, of this city, were witnesses of the incident. The apparatus was on the way to a fire further up the avenue and the driver had been thrown from his seat through the breaking of the retaining strap. One of the men who made an attempt to *stop the horses had his leg broken.* Young Mr. Ackerman is a student at St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H.

FREEHOLDERS' BOARD COMMITTEES APPOINTED

The Union County Board of Freeholders met at Elizabeth, Thursday, when Director J. N. Cady announced the committees for the coming year. Owing to a death in the home of Mr. Cady he was unable to be present and C. A. Smith, of Westfield, took his place. The commit*tees were read by the new clerk,* Frederick Davies, of Roselle. They are as follows:

Legal questions—Messrs. Darby, Hall, Acken. Appropriations—Messrs. Smith, Crane, Doane, Swain, Jones. County roads—Messrs. Krouse, Wilbur, Meisel, Smith, Swain. Elizabeth drawbridge—Messrs. Perry, Teller, Fay. First street drawbridge—Messrs. Hall, Meisel, Borden. Elections—Messrs. Perry, Randolph, Fay. Hospitals—Messrs. Doane, Kropse, Swain, Wilbur, Gruener. Legislative—Messrs. Meisel, Krouse, Pierson. Soldiers' headstones—Messrs. Doane, Perry, Kruener, Acken, Hennessy. Collectors' bonds—Messrs. Crane, Gruener, Hennessy. Discharge of prisoners—Messrs. Crane, Teller, Boden. Lunacy—Messrs. Meisel, Doane, Jones. Grounds and building—Messrs. Krouse, Smith, Pierson. Auditing—Messrs. Wilbur, Smith, Jones. Jail—Messrs. Perry, Randolph, Borden. Stationery—Messrs. Darby, Teller, *Jones. Miscellaneous—Messrs.* Teller, Darby, Acken. Publication—Messrs. Randolph, Hall, Hennessy. To settle with collector—Messrs. Wilbur, Crane, Pierson.

REPORTS ARE READ AT MEETING OF W. C. T. U.

Encouraging reports from several departments, including that on soldiers and sailors, L. T. L., evangelistic and temperance were received at the monthly business meeting of the W. C. T. U., Thursday afternoon. A letter from Captain George Benn, of the Mission Yacht work, was read, which thanked the members for the large amount of literature, etc., sent to him at Christmas time for the *sailors.*

Mrs. Henry Thomas reported that these officers were elected at the last meeting of the Loyal Temperance Legion:

Superintendent, Mrs. Henry Thomas; secretary, Miss Grace Vail; treasurer, Miss Bella Godown; pianist, Miss Mary Richardson; librarian, Harold Richardson; social committee, William Dow, Miss Hazel Godown, Miss Mary Vogel, Miss Bella Godown; chairman lookout committee, Robert Dow; blackboard artist, Miss Hazel Godown.

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SOME STATE NEWS BRIEFS

Some of the more progressive Republicans of Gloucester are contemplating the organization of a Citizens' party.

Pay-as-you-enter cars have been put on duty on the White Line of the Paterson trolley service, and are the first to be employed on long runs of that system.

Slipping as she was about to go down the cellar, Mrs. William Huff, of Paulsboro, plunged headlong down the steps and sustained a fractured hip, besides serious bruises.

The Paterson police have been unable to find any further trace of the owner of the coat found on the railing of the raceway at Spruce street, last Friday night, which is the property of Miss Josephine Haverman, an escaped inmate of St. Mary's Hospital, Hoboken, and who is said to be slightly demented.

Gertrude Lynch, seven years old, of 748 North Twenty-sixth street, Camden, died Sunday in the Cooper Hospital from injuries received the night before when a wagon containing her and her father was struck by a train at State street crossing. The condition of John Lynch, the father, remains unchanged, and his recovery is looked for.

While burning some rubbish in an iron furnace out-of-doors Sunday J. F. Stradling, of Centre street. Woodbury, lost a gold watch and fob. After a long search he decided to look in the furnace, the fire in which had well burned out. He found the timepiece among the ashes. The fob was burned, but he says the watch was unharmed and was still running after several hours in the hot ashes.

Joseph Hillmyer, Jr., and Arthur Clinton, chauffeurs, narrowly escaped death in an automobile collision at Harney's corner, just outside of Trenton, Sunday. It was a head-on collision and both cars turned over in the ditch by the side of the road. Both men were thrown out with great. They were found unconscious and taken to Trenton by a touring party. The colliding machines were completely wrecked.

CURIOUS SPECIES OF FLOWER IS EXHIBITED.

"There is on exhiibton at the Montclair, Club, a curiosity in the shape of a flower more than seven feet high. It was grown in the home of Councilman William H. Schoonmaker, of 86 Clinton avenue, that city.

The exhibit consists of a mottled black and white sttaik about one and one-half inches in diameter and of a decidedly snaky appearance. At its top is the flower, consisting of one huge purple colored petal shaped like a lily. There's a purple stamen more than three feet above the flower proper.

Several years ago, a friend presented to Mr. Schoonmaker a curious bulb which had been procured in the tropics. Every spring, the Montclair councilman sets this bulb out in his yard. About a month later there grows from it a green palm like the plant with hundreds of delicate fronds so closely interwoven as to present the appearance of several great leaves. During the summer season the plant is a much admired ornament of the lawn.

When the early frosts of October come, the green top dies and Mr. Schoonmaker has the bulb packed in dry sand and removed to the cellar; and from this dry bulb with no moisture springs the curious stalk and flower now on exhibition. Mr. Schoonmaker says it takes about six to eight weeks for the flower to develop; it then lasts about a week when it begins to decay.

Many flower lovers and amateur botanists have viewed the curious flower since it was taken to the club parlors Saturday night but none of them have been able to classify it properly. Town Clerk Harry Trippett, who is much interested in botany and natural history and who is able to classify almost every plant brought to him, says he never saw anything before to resemble it. He says, however, that the curious specimen belongs to the same order as the swamp plant common to New Jersey.

Former A. O. H. Head Dead.

John J. Gavigan, one of the best known potters in the United States, died Sunday after an illness of more than a year. He lived at 200 Reservoir street, Trenton. He was taken ill with insomnia, and nervous troubles followed. Then he contracted rheumatism, and one ailment aggravated the other until he became very bad. Mr. Gavigan resigned as superintendent of the Bellmark pottery about a year ago. Since that time he had been confined to his room. Mr. Gavigan was a prominent member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Besides holding several local offices, he was state president of the organization for some time.

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DEATH OF ROBERT DAVIS

Funeral of New Jersey Democratic Leader Takes Place Thursday.

BRIEF SKETCH OF HIS CAREER.

An Irish Emigrant Who Arose to Power and Wealth—Long the "Boss" of Hudson County Democracy.

Robert Davis, Democratic leader of Hudson county, died at his home, 239 Grove street, Jersey City, shortly after noon Monday. He had been ill for several months of cancer of the stomach, and his death had been momentarily expected since last Saturday. His bride of only a few days and the other members of his family, including his four sons and two daughters-in-law, besides a number of political friends, were with him. The Rev. Fathers Keaney and Wallace of St. Peter's church and Father Tor Woort, of St. Mary's church, gave the last rites of the church and said prayers at his bedside.

Mr. Davis has been under treatment at the German Hospital in New York city about six weeks ago. On Dec. 23 he paid his last visit to the City Hall. On Jan. 3, against the wishes of his friends, he married Miss Annie Toppin, she being his third wife. As soon as his death was announced the flags on the City Hall, Jersey City, and on the Davis Club House, a political organization, named after the elader, were half-masted. The funeral will be held from St. Peter's Roman Catholic church, at Grand and Van Vorst streets, Jersey City, on Thursday morning. Interment will be in the Hudson county Catholic cemetery.

It was said last night that Mr. Davis had not made a will since 1895. He had married twice since then. His estate is said to be valued at $1,000,000. He owned seventy-five pieces of real estate in Jersey City and a large number of valuable securities in Jersey City institutions. Mr. Davis' term as City Collector was concurrent with that of Mayor Witpenn, which will end on Jan. 1, 1912. The Mayor will appoint Mr. Davis' successor.

Last night New Jersey politicians were discussing the probable successor of Mr. Davis as Democratic leader of Hudson county. Among those considered most eligible are County Chairman Hennessey and Sheriff Kelly.

Ex-Senator James Smith, Jr., had this to say last night of the death of the Democratic leader:

"Of him it may be truly said that he held sacred his given word. He has been maligned by some; he was respected and loved by many. His rugged honesty, his unselfish purpose, and a life's record of fairness to foe and unshaken fidelity to friend will long be held in sacred memory by many in this State who are now bowed in grief that the death has come to this charitable man and stanchest of friends."

Robert Davis was born in Carlou, Ireland, on March 4, 1848, and was one of eleven children. His father was William Davis and his mother Eliza Kinling.

In 1876 he married Margaret O'Rourke, the sister of a Tammany politician, and they had six children—William J., Robert, Jr., George E., Joseph, Charles, and Elizabeth, the two latter dying in infancy. Mrs. Davis died in 1895, and in 1903 Davis married Mary E. Dugan. One son, Hugh, was born. His third wife, whom he married on January 3, 1911, was Miss Toppin, a sister of Police Capt. Nicholas Toppin, of Jersey City.

Mr. Davis became a member of a district election board when he was twenty years old and was serving as such when he cast his first vote. He served on various district boards until 1875, and in those years gathered an inside knowledge that made him familiar with politics. Four years after his first appearance in politics he became a member of the Hudson county Democratic Committee and stayed a member either as a worker or its director for the rest of his life.

He first became active in politics in 1883 when he ran for Fire Commissioner of Jersey City and was defeated by John Brennan. In 1885 he was elected Alderman and was reelected in the following year. In 1887 he was elected Sheriff after a bitter fight over David W. Lawrence, the Republican, and Cornelius J. L. Cronan, the Independent Democratic candidate. He served a three-year term, and in 1891 was appointed Police Judge by the late Gov. Leon Abbett.

In 1893 he was appointed Warden of the Hudson county jail by the Hudson county Board of Freeholders, and served under Sheriff John McPhillips. His official title than was Jailer. It was a big job, one of the political plums of Jersey City, and it did much to build up Davis' power as a politician.

It was about 1890 that Davis became the out-and-out leader of the Democratic party in Hudson county. At that time Dennis McLaughlin was in control of Democratic affairs there, but when his candidate for Mayor, the late Congressman Allan L. McDermott, was defeated and Col. Toffey was elected Sheriff over Edward Stanton, McLaughlin's power dwindled and Davis took up the reins. Since then he had been in undisputed power. Both were lieutenants of William McAvoy, the old-time leader of Hudson county.

In 1882, when Magistrate William McAdoo, of New York, the former Police Commissioner, was elected to Congress from Hudson county, Davis was one of those who helped along his election from his district. Without the support of Davis McAdoo could not have been nominated. Mr. McAdoo served three terms as a Representative from New Jersey and was then made Assistant Secretary of War.

Davis had been credited with being the man who actually picked President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton, for the Gubernatorial candidate of New Jersey last fall.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH

The yearly financial statement of St. Mary's church, which has been distributed among the parishioners, presents a gratifying conditions. In commenting upon the statement today, Father Bogan said that since he had been pastor of the church, the old system of receiving seat money at the door of the church, had been abolished and thus no one no matter how poor was made to feel any embarrassment.

Thus far more than $17,000 has been paid on the new convent building, and Father Bogan believes that when it is ready for occupancy sometime in March there will only be a nominal debt thereon which can easily be liquidated. The new building will cost approximately $25,000 and the fact that the parish will have been able to pay this amount within a period of about ten months is quite remarkable.

The total receipts for the past year were $35,006.44, with the balance on hand at last report of $8,297.34. The Sunday collections amounted to $3,190.76, and the sittings, $7,209.54. Father Bogan's jubilee offering was $600. The expenditures included $2,175 for the salaries of three priests and Sisters' salaries and school supplies, $3,043.95. After all expenditures were made and the interest on the $10,000 note was paid, there is a balance of $2,295.46.

New Church Calendar.

The weekly church calendar of Trinity Reformed church appeared in an attractive folder shape yesterday, the front page containing a fine picture of the church as recently remodelled. There appears the names of the pastor, Rev. John Y. Broek, that of the pastor-emeritus, Rev. Dr. Cornelius Schenck; Rev. J. Tucker Lansdale, pastor of Marconnier chapel, and that of Dr. Paul Wilberforce Harrison, the church missionary to Arabia. The inside pages are devoted to a chronicle of the weekly events, while on the last page is a complete list of the church organizations, including the consistory and officers of the Sunday-school and various societies. The calendar is in a more convenient form and is greatly appreciated by the congregation.

Bitten By Strange Dog.

Claus Kubieschky, thirteen years old, of 340 Franklin place, was bitten by a strange dog on Friday morning, while riding his wheel at West Ninth street and College place. Dr. E. Krans, of Park avenue, cauterized the wound.

AS USUAL.

Ten little resolutions, proud and pert
and fine,
One smoked a strong perfecto, and
then there were nine.

Nine little resolutions. Mr. Never-
will-be-late
Slept plum through the alarm clock,
and then there were but eight.

Eight little resolutions. The rain
poured down from heaven,
And one decliend to go to church and
so there were seven.

Seven little resolutions. One, blind
error's tricks,
Drank two tall whiskey rickeys, and
then there were six.

Six little resolutions. One took a
tempting dive,
And lost his margin on the curb, and
then there were five.

Five little resolutions.—till one got
mad and swore,
(The trolley crowd walked on his
feet) and so there were but
four.

Four little resolutions. One really
couldn't see,
The harm of betting on a horse. And
then there were three.

Three little resolutions. Ono gossiped
all he knew
(Or thought he did) about his friends
and then there were but two.

Two little resolutions. One told a lie
"for fun,"
And then another to save that. And
so there was but one.

One little resolution, neglected and
forgotten
Just died of inanition. All ten had
gone to pot.

Warwick James Price in N. Y. Sun.

NEW MARKET FIREMEN FIGHT DANGEROUS BLAZE

The coal sheds and railroad trestle attached to Clark Roger's general supply establishment at New Market, caught fire in some way at 1 o'clock Tuesday morning. The flames were noticed by an engineer on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, who gave a whistle alarm and stopped his train to let the crew fight the blaze with water from the locomotive tender. They made poor headway as the high wind fanned the blaze furiousuly.

The first villagers to reach the scene rang the Baptist church bell and the New Market volunteer fire department responded in a short time. Two lines of hose were laid, giving a plentiful supply of water with good pressure. The wind died down while the men were at work. The prompt discovery and response of the department probably prevented a serious blaze as the C. E. Kelly lumber yard was directly in line. Mr. Rogers places the damage at about $100.

After the firemen had finished their work, they were invited to the New Market hotel, where Proprietor Joseph Ahearn gratuitously served coffee and sandwiches. Monday's blaze was the first the department has fought since it was organized some time ago and the able way in which the members worked demonstrated its value to the village.

DRAW CLOSE LINE IN INAUGURAL INVITATIONS.

Plans were completed yesterday for the inauguration of Governor Wilson, next week, Tuesday. The Governor of every State in the Union has been invited to attend the ceremonies in Taylor Opera House, Trenton. Following these the inaugural luncheon will take place at the Hotel Sterling. The Inaugural Committee has decided that it will be necessary to draw the line closely in sending out the invitations for this luncheon. The legislature, the State officials and the State's representatives in Congress will be the only ones invited, with the one exception of James R. Nugent, chairman of the Democratic State Committee. United States Senator Frank O. Briggs will be present at the luncheon, both in his capacity as a Senator and as the chairman of the Republican State Committee.

There will also be a dearth of invitations for the ceremonies at the Opera House. No invitations will be sent by the committee to prominent persons in any walk of life, and even such politicians as James Smith, Jr., and James E. Martine will have to depend upon the members of their county delegations to see that they are provided with tickets of admission. It is understood that there will be no exception to this rule.

The invocation for the inaugural exercises will be delivered by the Rev. Dr. Henry Collin Minton, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, of Trenton. Benediction will be given by Mgr. John H. Fox, rector of St. Mary's Cathedral, Trenton, in the absence of Bishop McFaul.

FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT

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not mind the laws unless they helped to make them and so the girls were given the vote. At the close of his talk Mr. Stowe urged those who were interested in the subject to visit some of the school cities and see for themselves the working out of the scheme.

Mrs. Ida H. Riley, president of the Equal Suffrage League, presided at the meeting and after Mr. Stowe's address urged any sympathizers who might be present to join the league.

THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS

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what could be gathered it appears extremely improbable that any of the appointments will be confirmed. If this is the case, the present incumbents will hold over until the mayor sends in such names as the city fathers will approve.

NEWSPAPER "AD" OFFERS TO SELL ROYAL BONES.

Dr. H. D. Siegfried, of Denver, Ill., says he owns the skeleton of the Archduke Johann, brother of Emperor Joseph of Austria. He says the bones have been in his possession for twelve years, but refuses to tell how they became his property or when or where the archduke died or the circumstances which brought him to this part of America.

When Dr. Siegfried learned the royal family of Austria was interested in the fate of the archduke he opened negotiations with them. He refused yesterday to explain the terms which he demanded for the bones.

When Dr. Siegfried's attention was called to the fact than an advertisement appeared Monday in a New York newspaper offering the bones for sale, he refused to give further information. The advertisement reads:

FOR SALE—The skeleton of Archduke Johann, a brother of Emperor Joseph of Austria; genuine and intact. Box 84, Denver, Ill.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS.

The official minutes of the Union County Board of Freeholders:

Adjourned meeting of the Union County Board of Freeholders was held December 31, at 2:30 P. M.

Roll call showed the following members present: Director Cady, Freeholders Darby, Doane, Garrison, Gruener, Hall, Jones, Krouse Meisel, Perry, Randolph, Smith, Thompson and Wilbur—14.

Absent: Freeholders Adams, Crane, Haviland, Jensen, Martin and Swain—6.

On motion of Freeholder Wilbur the minutes of the meeting of December 28 were approved as per printed copies on members' desks.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Gentlemen: Your Auditor respectfully reports:

I have examined the books and vouchers of the Surrogate, Sheriff, Registrar and County Clerk, and find the same correct.

The net receipts are Surrogate, $613.38; Sheriff, $376.28; Registrar, $1,441.06; County Clerk, $301.11; which amounts have been turned over to the County Collector.

Yours respectfully,
BENJ. KING,
Auditor.

Dated Dec. 31, 1910.

On motion of Freeholder Gruener received and placed on file.

Annual reports were received from the following committees and Supervisors;

J. M. Drake, Supervisor of Soldiers' Graves; County Physician, Rahway Drawbridge Committee, Stationery, Sinking Fund, County Roads, Discharge of Prisoners, Public Grounds and Buildings, Jails Inspection, and Lunacy. Were received and ordered placed on file.

Gentlemen: Your committee on Collector's Account beg leave to report that they have examined his books, vouchers, coupons, warrants and receipts, bank and check books, and find the same are correct and agree in every particular.

We find that his receipts from January 1, 1910, to date, amount to $2,234,848.10, and that his disbursements for the same period amount to $1,643,621.44, leaving a balance of $591,226.44, which is on deposit in the bank to the credit of the County Collector.

Respectfully submitted,
S. P. T. WILBUR,
W. H. RANDOLPH,
J. N. CADY, Director,
BENJ. KING, Auditor.

On motion of Freeholder Jones received and placed on file.

The County Collector presented his annual report, which was read and ordered placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS.

By Freeholder Wilbur:

Resolved, That the County Collector be and he is hereby authoriedz to have his annual report printed at a cost not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars ($150).

Freeholder Gruener moved the adoption of the resolution, which on roll call was unanimously adopted.

By Freeholder Smith:

Resolved, That the County Collector be authorized and directed to transfer from the Court account to the Bridge account the sum of $1,704.28.

From the Court account to the Public Ground and Building account the sum of $3,383.77.

From the Court account to the Stationery account the sum of $42.42.

From the Court account to the account for compensation and lawful expenses of Chosen Freeholders, Committees and Salaries of their officers, $839.35.

From the Court account to the Sheriff's account the sum of $2,155.86.

From the Court account to the County Clerk's account the sum of $795.15.

From the Court account to the Rahway Avenue Property account the sum of $467.35.

From the Court account to the Repairs to County Roads account the sum of $8,811.64.

From the Court account to the account for Repairs to Roads Built Under State Aid Road Act the sum of $4,558.99.

It was moved and seconded that the resolution be adopted and on roll call this was ordered by an unanimous vote.

On motion of Freeholder Krouse a recess was taken for ten minutes. After the recess the roll was again called with 13 members present, Mr. Thompson being absent.

Freeholder Garrison, the only one of the retiring members present, was presented with an umbrella by Judge Codington on behalf of the Board.

Freeholder Randolph then moved to adjourn, which was carried. The Director declared the Board adjourned sine die.

BENJAMIN KING,
Clerk.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS.

The annual meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, New Jersey, held on Monday, January 2, 1911, at 12 o'clock noon.

Oaths of New Members.

Oaths of office of the new members of the board, viz.: Henry Krouse, Elston Darby, Burton P. Hall, George G. Teller, Charles A. Smith, Bradford Jones, Aaron D. Crane, S. P. T. Wilbur, J. Hervey Doane, Thomas J. Pierson, Dennis F. Hennessy, P. H. Meisel, J. Logan Fay, William A. Bourdon, Moses H Acken and Joseph Perry, were duly filed in the office of the County Clerk as required by law and the oath having been administered by Hon. Edward S. Atwater, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas.

Roll Call.

The roll was called by cities, towns and townships, as follows:

Elizabeth, J. Logan Fay, Dennis F. Hennessy, Thomas J. Pierson, William Bourdon; Rahway, Adolph Gruener, William H. Randolph; Summit, John N. Cady, William H. Swain; Plainfield, J. Hervey Doane, Samuel P. T. Wilbur; Westfield, Charles A. Smith, Joseph Perry; Cranford, George G. Teller; Roselle, Henry Krouse; Roselle Park-Union, Aaron D. Crane; New Providence Township and borough, Bradford Jones; Mountainside, Elston Darby; Springfield, Peter H. Meisel; Clark, Moses H. Acken; Fanwood, Burton P. Hall. All members were present.

Election of Director.

Clerk Benjamin King stated that the first business was the election of a Director and called for nominations. Freeholder Smith, in a brief speech, nominated John N. Cady for Director of the board, which was seconded by Freeholder Krouse. Freeholder Fay nominated W. H. Swain; nomination was seconded by Freeholder Pierson.

Appointment of Tellers.

The clerk appointed Freeholders Jones and Meisel as tellers and ballot was duly had.

Freeholder Cady received twelve votes and Freeholder Swain received six votes; the clerk thereupon declared John N. Cady elected as Director of the board for the ensuing year.

Director Cady was escorted to his chair by the tellers and briefly returned his thanks to the members of the board for the honor conferred upon him, stating that he hoped to receive the support and co-operation of the members as he had in the previous year, as there was considerable work to be done.

Salary of Clerk.

By Freeholder Krouse:

Resolved, That the salary of the clerk be fixed at one thousand dollars ($1,000) per annum, in lieu of all compensations and fees. Further

Resolved, That the clerk attend all meetings of the committees of this board and perform all the necessary duties of his office, without additional compensation.

Freeholder Wilbur moved the adoption of the resolution, which was duly seconded. Freeholder Pierson spoke in favor of the resolution, stating that he was pleased that the fee system in connection with the clerk's office was being abolished. On roll call, resolution was unanimously adopted.

Nomination of Clerk.

The Director then called for nominations of clerk. Freeholder Krouse nominated Frank B. Davies, of Roselle, nomination being seconded by Freeholder Meisel. Freeholder Pierson nominated George B. Cladek, of Rahway, which was seconded by Freeholder Fay.

After motion being made and passed and nominations closed, the board proceeded to ballot on the nominations. The ballot was duly had and Mr. Davies received thirteen votes and Mr. Cladek received seven. The Director thereupon declared Mr. Davies duly elected by law. The tellers escorted Mr. Davies to the clerk's desk and he briefly thanked the board for the honor conferred upon him.

Salary of County Attorney.

By Freeholder Doane:

Resolved, That the salary of the county attorney be fixed at the sum of three hundred ($300) dollars per annum.

Mr. Wilbur moved the adoption of the resolution, which was seconded by Freeholder Darby. The Director called for remarks and Freeholder Hennessy stated that he was opposed to fixing the county attorney's salary at three hundred ($300) dollars, as he believed the fee system pertaining to the county attorney's office should be abolished and that the attorney receive a stated sum, which he said he was not prepared to give, but which should be commensurate with the work involved. The resolution was adopted; twelve members voting aye, and seven voting nay, Freeholder Acken not voting.

Nomination of County Attorney.

The Director then called for nominations for county attorney. Freeholder Doane nominated W. R. Codington, from Plainfield, which was seconded by Freeholder Gruener. Freeholder Hennessy nominated Martin P. O'Connor, from Elizabeth, which was seconded by Freeholder Fay. The board then preceeded to ballot on the candidates, there being no further nominations and vote being duly had. W. R. Codington receiving thirteen votes and Martin P. O'Connor seven. The Director declared W. R. Codington elected county attorney for the term provided by law. Judge Codington then thanked the board for the renewal of their confidence in him and said he hoped to serve them in the future as he had done in the past.

Publication.

By Freeholder Meisel:

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Board of Chosen Freeholders be published in the following newspapers, at the compensation of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150) per annum; namely, Elizabeth Daily Journal, Elizabeth Evening Times, Elizabeth Revue, Courier-News and Daily Press, of Plainfield; Summit Herald and Summit Record, of Summit; Westfield Leader and Union County Standard, of Westfield; Cranford Citizen and Cranford Chronicle, of Cranford; New Providence News, of New Providence; New Jersey Advocate and Rahway News-Herald, of Rahway, provided said minutes are printed within the current month.

Freeholder Smith moved the adoption of the resolution, which was seconded by Freeholder Crane and on roll call was adopted, sixteen voting aye, Freeholders Acken, Fay, Hennessy and Jones voting nay.

Freeholder Perry moved to adjourn, which was carried.

The Director declared the board adjourned until Thursday, January 5, 1911, at 2:30 p. m.

FRANK B. DAVIES,
Clerk.

Here's That Clock Again.

An interesting suit is on the calendar in the county court today in Elizabeth. The Seth Thomas Clock Company is suing Leo Slonim for a clock which was not put up in front of his store swing, it is alleged, to political interference. Francis J. Blatz represents Mr. Slonim and William F. Groves, of Elizabeth, represents the clock company. The trial of the suit had not begun at 2 o'clock.

DR. ARD S. P. C. A. HEAD

Officers Chosen at Annual Meeting of Local Humane Society.

REPORTS ARE SUBMITTED.

Approximately 500 Animals Put to Merciful Death—Mrs. Van Hoesen Makes Her Report.

At the annual meeting of the Plainfield branch of the S. P. C. A., held Monday afternoon in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A., the following officers were elected: President, Dr. Farnk C. Ard, first vice-presidents Rev. E. V. Stevenson, former Mayor Charles J. Fisk, Rev. Dr. William K. Neilson; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. E. S. Hyatt; members of the executive board, J. C. Arnold, John D. Loizeaux, John O'Brien, Jr., Mrs. R. J. Letcher and Mrs. Clifton Wharton, Jr.

John O'Brien, Jr., and Mrs. G. A. Boman, of Hillside avenue were elected to membership, the latter being a life member. Reports of the past year's work were submitted by the various officers which showed that the society is in a flourishing condition and is continuing to grow in usefulness. Nearly five hundred animals were put to a merciful death during the year.

A report from a committee from the American Humane Society appointed last year to investigate the methods of slaughtering animals for food was read by the special agent, Mrs. S. G. Van Hoesen and caused much interest among the members. It was shown in the report that the methods employed now in this country are away behind the times and are cruel and inhuman. Germany especially, of the foreign countries, is in the lead of the world in this respect.

The American Humane Society will during the year ask for special legislation on the subject of slaughtering with special reference to the kosher butchering. The local society will lend its moral aid to secure this legislation.

TOWNSEND HONORED BY BANK DIRECTORS

The directors of the Peoples National Bank, of Westfield, gave a banquet at The Homestead on Washington avenue Monday, as a tribute to Samuel Townsend, president of the institution, and they also honored the vice-president, J. E. Gallagher and did not forget H. H. Griswold, the cashier. The affair was arranged with a view to showing the appreciation of the directors for the earnest and faithful services of Mr. Townsend, who has been the head of the institution since it was organized.

During the evening solid gold cuff buttons, set with diamonds, were presented to Mr. Townsend and Mr. Gallagher. The recipients thanked the directors for their token of esteem.

Congressman-elect William E. Tuttle, Jr., of Westfield, was the toastmaster, and he made the presentations on behalf of his fellow directors. An excellent dinner was prepared and served by Mrs. Henry Johnson.

These were present: J. Herbert Case, J. F. Cowperthwaite, J. E. Gallagher, Rollin P. Grant, Charles W. McCutchen, E. A. Merrill, E. T. Perrine, Arthur N. Pierson, M. H. Phillips, William L. Saunders, Samuel Townsend, Congressman-elect W. E. Tuttle, Jr., and H. H. Griswold and H. H. Pond.

LOCAL TYPOS ELECT NEW OFFICERS.

Typographical Union No. 399, held its annual election Monday and elected the following officers: President, Lewis Hummer, North Plainfield Review; vice-president, A. H. Caldwell, Nichol's Press; secretary-treasurer, H. W. Thomas, Courier-News; Sergeant at Arms, Robert Scott, Daily Press.

Final arrangements were made for the second annual ball of the union which will be held on Friday night, February 3. It will be held in Saengerbund hall.

It was announced that Westfield has been put under the jurisdiction of Plainfield by order of International President James J. Lynch, of Indianapolis. There is now a membership of thirty in the local union.

HOTCHKISS APPOINTED AS FACTORY INSPECTOR.

On the eve of the last day during which an appointment by him would be valid, Governor Fort Monday, appointed Edward M. Hotchkiss, of Newark, to succeed Andrew McCardell, of this city, as factory inspector for the Plainfield-Newark district.

John Traynor, of this city, was supported by the Republican organization in this county for the berth, while Councilman William L. Gloak had some friends who wanted the plum to go to him.

—Constitutionalist's ads. pay.

COLLAPSE PROVES FATAL

Louis F. Starkweather Succumbs Following Nervous Breakdown.

WAS CAUSED BY OVERWORK.

On Duty Night and Day During Express Company Strike—Pneumonia Direct Cause of Death.

Louis F. Starkweather, aged forty-eight years, died Sunday at his home, 829 Second place, following an illness of one week with pleuro-pneumonia. He was connected with the United States Express Company for many years, and during the recent strike in New York suffered a nervous breakdown as a result of being on duty day and night for several weeks. His condition became such that he finally went to Florida, where it was hoped he would regain his health and strength. When he returned he was not greatly benefitted.

Soon afterward he suffered an attack of the grip and he was planning a trip to Bermuda, when he was taken ill with pleuro-penumonia. He failed rapidly, despite the best of medical aid and passed away yesterday.

Mr. Starkweather was born in New York city. As a boy he entered the service of the United States Express Company at Rochester, N. Y., as a messenger. Later he was transferred to New York city, and when the company entered the New England field, he was made general agent at Boston, and when the company retired from that field he was made general agent for the company in New York city, which position he held up to the time of his death.

Mr. Starkweather was a man of admirable qualities and enjoyed the friendship of a large number of people throughout the country. He was an attendant at the Unitarian church, this city. He is survived by a wife, two sons, Courtney N. and Louis Starkweather; also one brother, Harry Starkweather, of New York city, and a sister, Mrs. Mary Betholt. The funeral was held at the late residence, Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET COMMITTEES

George L. Babcock, president of the Chamber of Commerce, has announced the committees which will have in charge the annual banquet to be held on Monday, February 13. The banquet will be held each year on Lincoln's Birthday. The committees are as follows.

Ex-officio members, the president, George L. Babcock, and the secretary, former Judge John Ulrich. Banquet, A. E. Force, Alexander Milne, Eugene M. Laing, Theodore L. Shirley and Paul H. Burnes. Speakers and reception, former Mayors Alexander Gilbert, William L. Saunders, Charles J. Fisk, L. V. F. Randolph, and former Sheriff B. Frank Coriell. Invitation, Dr. B. VanD. Hedges, Henry A. McGee, M. C. VanArsdale, A. S. Herr and Lemuel B. Woolston. *Committee on tickets and printing*, D. J. Carney, George M. Clark, F. A. Duttenhofer, H. Schuldenfrei and H. P. Greenwood. Hall and music, Winfield S. Angleman, Charles H. Hand, Berthold Schreiner, James Hansen and R. S. Parrott. Finance, D. W. Littell, J. V. E. Vanderhoef, George M. Christian, Herman Schwed and Peter J. McDonough.

SPARK IN OAKUM FIRE STARTS A BASEMENT FIRE.

An apprentice employed by P. F. Kaine, the North avenue plumber, took a lighted candle to the basement of the shop Monday morning to get some supplies. A spark dropped into a barrel of oakum and a brisk fire started before he could extinguish it. The flames spread to some shelving and in a moment volumes of smoke were pouring out of the sidewalk grating.

An alarm from box 13, sent in by Albert I. Littell, brought the firemen to the scene and the chemical engine soon had a stream on the blaze. A hydrant connection was also used for a few minutes.

The damage will amount to about $25 and is covered by insurance. The building is owned by Mrs. H. C. Drake.

SOCIAL FIVE ELECTS.

Edward F. *Conshay Is Chosen* As President.

The Social Five at its meeting in the club rooms on East Front street, Saturday night, elected these officers for the ensuing year: President, Edward F. Conshay; vice president, Monroe A. Nichols; financial secretary, John P. Connolly; recording secretary, George E. Howe; treasurer, Robert T. Skinner; During the evening a smoker was enjoyed by the members and arrangements were completed for the dance to be given tomorrow evening in Sebring's auditorium on West Front street. Suhr's orchestra will furnish music for the dance.

PETTY THIEF CAUGHT EMERGING FROM STORE

Continued depredations at his store and from his delivery wagons caused W. W. Warnock, the West Front street baker, to set a watch that proved successful last night. four young boys were caught in the act of climbing out of a rear window of his place loaded with pies and cakes taken from the cases. Three of them managed to slip away in the darkness, but the fourth was nabbed by Joseph Pawson, a night baker. He begged hard for his freedom and it was given him temporarily after he had told his own name and those of his companions. The police will round up the culprits today.

Front street storekeepers have been annoyed by petty thefts of late and the same gang is believed to be responsible in all the instances. Mr. Warnock has been a regular victim, losing parcels from his wagons as well as from his place of business. The boys effected entrance last night by raising a rear window. They made an attempt to open the safe, according to the captured culprit, but without success.

BOYS WON SILVER CUP AT CONGREGATIONAL S.S.

Sunday was Honor Day at the Congregational Sunday-school and awards of prizes for punctual and perfect attendance and other things were made by superintendent John M. Whiton to the successful pupils of the school. A contest between the Reds and Blues who struggled for additions to the Sunday-school was won by the Reds, twenty-three new pupils being added to the rolls during the past three months. On Friday afternoon a party will be given to the winners, a class of girls.

In the individual contests for perfect attendance, Nettie Steiner, who won the pin last year was again a winner and to the pin given her last year was added a laurel wreath. Harold Mundy who was given honorable mention last year, won a pin for the past year's attendance. Three children, Leslie Warren, Florence Neilson and Carter Goodrich, received books for fulfilling their pledges of contributions for the year. The flag which is awarded each year for the best percentage of attendance was given to the class of young women taught by Miss Barre.

Greatest interest centered in the awarding of the silver cup, a gift of superintendent Whiton. The contest for this trophy was narrowed down to three classes and was finally awarded to James McClymont's class of thirteen boys who won by a very narrow margin. Miss Morgan's class was second, only three points behind.

Fred Andrews addressed the school after the presentation of the awards. He encouraged those who had not won anything but mention for their good work. The pastor, Rev. C. L. Goodrich preached a five minute sermon to the children of the school immediately after the regular morning service taking as a subject, "The Pearl of Great Price," from which an interesting legend was presented to the children. The story held the closest attention of the adults as well as the little ones.

Disposed of Automobile.

The automobile which was owned by the late William Moffett, of Orchard place, has been disposed of for the benefit of the widow, Philip O'Connor, of New York, securing the machine and Mrs. Moffett the money. Mr. O'Connor has written to friends here that he has no use for the auto and has given them the privilege of disposing of it as they think best.

MISS CLARA CRANE GIVES A RECEPTION.

Miss Clara Crane, of East Second street, gave a reception at her home, Saturday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock, there being about fifty guests. The affair was delightfully arranged and was marked by informality. During the afternoon a miscellaneous program of violin, piano and vocal selections were rendered and readings were given.

The dining-room was tastefully decorated in pink. Miss Crane was assisted by the following young women: Mrs. Hugh M. Smith, of Westfield; Mrs. Leslie Stewart and Mrs. Robert Crane, of this city, and the Misses Angela Harker, of Brooklyn; Marguerite Smith, Sara Sanderson, Elsa Cook, Ouida Hetfield and Helen Whitney, of this city.

Funeral of Alfred Fawcett.

The funeral services of Alfred Fawcett, who died last week at Arlington Heights, Mass., were held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the residence of his brother, B. T. Fawcett, on Washington avenue, the borough. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends. Rev. E. Vicars Stevenson, of Grace church, officiated. The burial was in Hillside cemetery and the pall-bearers were Fred J. Fawcett, of Newton, Mass.; B. T. Fawcett and Hughes Fawcett, of this city, brothers, and a nephew, Martin C. Fawcett, of this city.

CALLS X-SCIENCE A LIE

"The Whole Fabric Anti-Christian" Says Rev. Gabriel Reid Maguire.

DENOUNCES THE BELIEF.

"Self Aggrandizement Was Her (Mrs. Eddy's) Chief Ambition and She Accomplished it at Expense of her Dupes."

In a sermon replete with reasons why people should cling only to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, Rev. Gabriel Reid Maguire, pastor of the Park Avenue Baptist church, held an immense audience spell-bound Sunday day morning. Besides arraigning spiritualism and some higher criticism as false lights he made his strongest attack against Christian Science, aiming to tear to shreds the teachings of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, showing in his opinion how falsely they represent the true religion and to what lengths the leader of the cult had gone to build up a private fortune of over a million dollars and obtaining for herself a pinnacle of influence based upon the credulity of the easily beguiled.

Three strong indictments were brought by Mr. Maguire against the teachings of Christian Science. First, it is contrary to common sense; second, that it is a minister to sin, and, third, that it is contrary to the Scriptures.

As being contrary to common sense, Mr. Maguire said that God has given man the power of thought and has endowed him with reason that he may arrive at logical conclusions. Christian Science says, "If delusion tells you that you have lost your memory you must contradict it. No faculty is lost." "A blind man only thinks he is blind." "A deaf man only thinks he is deaf." Mrs. Eddy herself is not dead, she is only in error. "O! what a foolish people."

As a minister to sin: "In one of Mrs. Eddy's books," said the speaker, "there is this question, 'Is marriage more right than celibacy?' Human knowledge says it is while Christian Science says not. Comment on this question is unnecessary.

Of the third indictment, Mr. Maguire said, "Scripture teaches (James 1:27) pure religion and undefiled, before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unspotted from the world.". Did you ever hear of Mrs. Eddy doing anything like that? Did she ever give a home for the helpless or contribute anything to the support of anyone beside herself? No. None of these purely Christian things can be credited to her. Self aggrandizement was her chief ambition and she accomplished it at the expense of her dupes. In a word the whole fabric of Christian Science is anti-Christian and a lie. It takes the name Christian as a label to further its deception and Science as a blind to cover its superstition.

On page 328 of "Health and Science" it says "One sacrifice, however great, is insufficient to pay the debt of sin." How does this compare with Hebrews, 10-10, "By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all."

Mr. Maguire referred constantly to the books of the leader of the cult and advanced reasons confuting the doctrine contained in its pages by references to the Scriptures as found in the New Testament.

FRIGHTENED TO DEATH; WAS BITTEN BY DOG.

Richard A. Walsh, eight years old, died in convulsions on Thursday night at his home, Fulton street, Brooklyn, through terror, as believed, of hydrophobia following the bite of a dog on the right leg while he was playing in front of his home on December 18.

The bite was a slight one. The wound was cauterized at St. John's Hospital and the boy returned to his home. His parents felt no alarm and sent him to school as usual.

The boy, however, worried considerably over the dog bite and if he happened to see a dog on his return from school would become frightened and reach home in an excited condition. His nervousness steadily increased and a few days ago became so pronounced that Dr. F. C. Gay, of 7 Hancock street, was called in. He could do nothing to relieve the young patient. Dr. Gay says that the case was one of the most peculiar that ever came under his observation and that as there were no symptoms sufficiently developed to diagnose as hydrophobia he was compelled to certify that death was due to nervous shock and acute mania due to a dog bite.—New York Sun.

THINGS WORTH KNOWING.

With the view to horses' comfort a Philadelphian has invented a check-rein operated from the sides of the head instead of from the top.

The returns for last year, under the workmen's compensation act in England, shows that compensation was paid in 3,341 cases of death and 332,612 cases of disablement. The average death payment was $770 and in case of disablement $26.50.

N. P. H. S. SWAMP NEW BRUNSWICK H. S.

The basketball team from the North Plainfield High School had an easy time of it Saturday afternoon with the New Brunswick High School five, the locals winning the contest by a score of 37 to 4. The borough boys did most of their scoring in the first half and then loafed in the second half. Stine and Bailey threw the field goals for North Plainfield, and Manley and Voorhees did the work for their team. The halves were fifteen and twenty minutes. The lineup:

N. P. H. S.—Forwards, Walker and Stine; centre, Bailey; guards, Townley, Wyckoff, C. Taylor and Abrams.

N. B. H. S.—Forwards, Wagner and Schultheis; centre, Manley; guards, Voorhees and Howell.

PREVENTION OF RABIES IS TREATED IN REPORT.

That rabies in a human being is a disease which cannot be cured after it has progressed far enough to produce symptoms which are recognizable, but can always be prevented if the patient is treated by the Pasteur method soon after being bitten, is the statement contained in the annual report of the State Board of Health, just issued.

Continuing, the report says:

"Unfortunately, this treatment (Pasteur) is costly and not unattended by danger, and the importance of prompt examination of animals which have bitten human beings is, therefore, evident. The examination of these specimens exposes the person making them to considerable danger, and the bacteriologists attached to the laboratory deserve commendation for their willingness to risk their lives in the interest of the citizens of the State.

"During 1909 and 1910 seventy-one specimens were examined in the bacteriological laboratory for the purpose of ascertaining whether animals from which they were obtained were suffering from rabies. This disease is prevalent in some sections of the State, and the number of cases is rapidly increasing. The board regards the examination of animals suspected of having had the disease as of much importance, inasmuch as such animals rarely reach the laboratory unless they have bitten human beings.

INAUGURATION SEATS SCARCE.

Only Twelve Allotted to Each Jersey *Legislator to Hear Gov. Wilson.*

It having been arranged that each Representative in the State Legislature shall reserve only twelve tickets for the inauguration of Governor Wilson in Taylor Opera House, Trenton, on Tuesday, January 17, Mercer county Democrats find themselves practically barred unless they are willing to participate in the scramble for gallery seats.

There are only 1,100 reserved seats for the entire State, and 972 of these are to be distributed to the Legislature. Inasmuch as Mercer county has one Democratic Assemblyman and no Senator the Mercer Democrats have only twelve passes to divide.

Gen. Bird W. Spencer, of Passaic, will be in charge of the seating of the audience, and he will be assisted by Col. Charles A. Reed, Col. William Libbey, Col. William A. Tewee, Col. David M. Flynn, Col. Arthur Rowland, Major Winfield S. Price, Major Charles H. Grant, Major Alvin H. Grant, Major Daniel T. Matthews, Capt. Adolph Pfiel and Lieut. Paul E. Loutram.

Adjt. Gen. Sadler has issued orders for Company L of Princeton to report for duty as the personal escort for the new Governor and a salute of seventeen guns will be fired at noon in the rear of the State House.

Funeral of Mrs. Holcombe.

The funeral of Mrs. Martha R. Holcombe, widow of Horace Holcombe, was held at her late home on Mountain avenue Sunday afternoon. It was conducted by Rev. Dr. C. E. Herring and Rev. J. O. McKelvey, a large attendance of relatives and friends being in attendance. There were numerous floral tributes. Burial was made in Hillside cemetery the pall bearers being David Weaver, W. A. Conger, James Lewis, Harrison Coddington, D. N. Force and William Shotwell.

Funeral of Edward Cooper.

The funeral of Edward Cooper was held at the Mt. Bethel Baptist church Sunday afternoon, and was conducted by Rev. Peter Gibbs, pastor of the church. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends, including many of the older residents. Mr. Cooper's death was the result of a stroke of paralysis which he suffered some time ago. He was a cousin to former Sheriff Edward A. Cooper and John Cooper. The burial was in the cemetery at Mt. Bethel.

Dr. Coles' Gift.

It has been announced among persons interested in the Eighth Avenue Baby Shelter and Day Nursery, of Newark, that Dr. J. Ackerman Coles, of Scotch Plains, has presented the institution with a $1,000 bond, the interest to be used semi-annually to provide entertainment for the children.

REV. MR. MAGUIRE TALKS TO EPISCOPAL GUILD

The Church of the Heavenly Rest, Fifth avenue, New York, was filled Sunday afternon, when Rev. Gabriel Reid Maguire, pastor of the Park Avenue Baptist church, addressed the members of St. Barnabas' Guild on missions. The guild is composed of nurses, women who have devoted their lives to the help of the sick.

Mr. Maguire in his discourse said that it is the highest ambition of woman to bring into the world a son, but that the second desire was to look with pity on the sons of others and make their way in the world easier to tread. He declared that the greatest power within human kin was given to the woman nurse who, as a missionary, can also alleviate the sufferings of those among whom she works, thereby accomplishing two objects—faith in divine doctrine and submission to God as a Saviour of mankind.

The other speakers were Bishops Greer and Lloyd.

FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF OLD GLORY COUNCIL

Old Glory Council, No. 62, Daughters of Liberty, celebrated its fifteenth anniversary, Saturday night, when the officers were installed. The work was done by State Councillor Mrs. Jennie B. Hayward, of Newark, assisted by State Vice-Councillor Mrs. Rae Gensen, of Jersey City. These are the officers:

Councillor, Mrs. Lottie Anson; associate councillor, Mrs. Ella Demarest; vice-councillor, Mrs. Grace Cook; associate vice-councillor, Miss Marion Wakefield; recording secretary, Mrs. Annie A. Wyckoff; associate secretary, Miss Frances Moore; financial secretary, Fred L. Soper, Jr.; treasurer, Mrs. Eva J. Moore; guide, Mrs. Bertha Hughes; inside guard, Miss Metta Rose; outside guard, Harry Nolte; junior ex-councillor, Mrs. Janetta VanPelt; junior ex-associate councillor, Mrs. Lizzie GaNun; trustees, Walter C. Walker, Elmer GaNun and Mrs. Lottie Anson.

The following State officers spoke: State Councillor Mrs. Jennie B. Hayward, of Newark; State Vice-Councillor Mrs. Rae Gensen, of Jersey City; State Secretary Willard L. Hayward, of Newark; State Outside Guard William Robinson, of Belmar. A supper was served after which there were short speeches by the visiting officers.

Old Glory has a membership of 188, and during the past fifteen years has lost six members by death. During the last six months $140 was paid out in sick benefits.

Of the original charter members these were present Saturday night: Mrs. Lizzie GaNun, Mrs. Maggie Thatcher, Mrs. Mary Stewart, Mrs. Eva J. Moore, Mrs. Mary E. Stevens, Mrs. Ella M. Demarest and Walter C. Walker. The council received two propositions which will be acted upon later.

Y. M. C. A. ANNUAL DINNER THURSDAY NIGHT, JAN. 19.

The annual meeting and dinner of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held at the association hall, Thursday evening, January 19, at 7 o'clock. James E. Kimball, the president, will preside. He will briefly summarize the year's work.

There will be addresses by Dr. George J. Fisher, of New York, secretary physical department of the International Committee, topic, "A Man and His Body," and by Henry W. Herrman, of the board of directors of the local association, on the topic, "A View and a Pre-view." An informal reception will be held from 6:30 to 7o'clock.

Philip S. Suffern is the chairman of the committee arranging for the affair.

Salvation Army Meeting.

At the Salvation Army headquarters on Saturday night a novel scheme was adopted to get the wayfarer and drunk into close touch with better things and the attempt was not without success. During the evening Captain Hewitt read from an interesting book stories from the lives of those who had been saved from drunken degradation. These stories were interspersed with specially prepared songs and at intervals hot coffee and cake was distributed among the audience. At least one was brought to the penitential altar.

Y. M. C. A. Concert.

A program of unusual excellence has been prepared by Martin A. Korff for the next concert of the Y. M. C. A. orchestra, which will take place in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. building on Tuesday evening, January 17.

Governor-elect Woodrow Wilson, in his campaign to make the direct primary upon the United States Senatorship effective, will deliver a speech in Newark, Saturday night. He will speak in the New Auditorium in Orange street.

Miss Martha Jellig, formerly of this city, but now of New York, has been spending a week with friends here.

FOREIGNERS AT LECTURE

"The Stranger Within Our Gates" Subject of Dr. Peter Roberts at Y. M. C. A.

IMMIGRATION A BIG PROBLEM.

Address Summed up in Italian by Rev. Mr. Boretty—Plea for good Citizenship Through Study of Language and Laws.

Italians and other foreigners composed ninety-five per cent. of the audience which gathered to hear Dr. Peter Roberts lecture at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday evening on the topic, "The Stranger Within Our Gates," which was an able treatise on the immigration problem and its relation to national integrity.

Dr. Roberts, a self-made man, who was himself an immigrant, and who by indomitable courage, has surmounted the obstacles which face every poor and uneducated foreigner, was able through personal experiences, to bring home to his hearers the awful conditions existing among the masses of these people, especially in the mining regions of Pennsylvania and other congested districts.

The lecturer declared that the question of Immigration is one of the greatest which confronts the country today and its solution is no harder than it was thirty years ago. Education in the language, customs and laws of the country is the method he would employ and which he declares to be the only safeguard from segregation and colonization. Foreigners of any one tongue herd together because they lack the courage to mingle with English-speaking people, because they do not understand the language. However, it is becoming more and more apparent every day that education in the language is overcoming the difficulty.

Of the forty different nationalities arriving in the country from week to week, less than one in five hundred persons can speak English. They are coming at the rate of a million a year; they leave their farms to become miners, or some other class of laborer, anything to get away from the oppression in their own country and in many cases to simply become the slave of the saloon. Photographs taken by the speaker showed such conditions in the coal mining regions that he declared ought to be the subject of a serious and thorough investigation by the government. The housing of the immigrant in these places is little short of criminal and it is not to be wondered at that outbreaks of discontent occur.

Mr. Roberts declared that the Roman Catholic church is doing a splendid work among these people, but it is impossible for any one denomination to care for them all. "A concentration of effort along educational lines," he said, "is the only practical way to meet the situation."

Many of the Italians present were pupils of the class in English being conducted by Miss Zoe Bateman at the Lincoln School, and to make sure that these young men might understand the main points of the lecture, Dr. Roberts asked Rev. Mr. Boretty, of the Italian Mission, to sum up the address in that language. Mr. Boretty did so, ending with an appeal to the students to work hard for their own and their friends' success, to become staunch and true American citizens and to remember with gratitude the splendid opportunities that are afforded them in Plainfield to learn not only the language, but the customs, laws and habits of their adopted country. Mr. Boretty was heartily applauded, as was also Dr. Roberts for his splendid address.

S. S. CLASS SOCIAL.

Pleasant Evening Spent at Ernest Higgins'.

George W. Dufford's Sunday-school class No. 33, of Trinity Reformed church, held its second social at the home of Ernest Higgins, 116 Liberty street, Saturday evening. On account of illness, Mr. Dufford and some of the members of the class were unable to be present. After a business session, the evening was spent with books and games, which were followed with instrumental music by Miss Harriet Higgins, piano, and A. M. Higgins, violin.

The occasion was all the more enjoyable to the family as Mr. Higgins has just returned from a two months' sojourn at Fishkill, N. Y., where he had been erecting a private electric light plant. The class decided to hold its next social in two weeks at the home of Benjamin Cooley on Watchung avenue.

Those present Saturday evening were Alfred Shyerbeck, Millard McAfee, Raymond Roth, Charles Bateman, George Hummel, Wilbur Hoffman, Edward Weaver, Roscoe VanCamp, Ernest Higgins and Leonard Higgins.

Planning For New Church.

The Ebenezer Baptist church is planning to lay the corner stone of the new church in the near future. The following amounts have been subscribed: James Ford, $25; William Boyd, $25; A. B. Hartgrow, $25; P. J. Vaughn, $25; Asland Somerset, $25; Mrs. Maggie Wordson, $15; Mrs. Mary Scruggs, $15; Miss Bessie Scruggs, $15.

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DIED.

BARRY—On Tuesday, January 3, 1911, Charles Barry in his 54th year.

LAWLER—In this city, January 3, 1911, Sarah, wife of Patrick Lawler.

FAWCETT—At Arlington Heights, Mass., on Thursday, Jan. 5, 1911, Alfred Fawcett, youngest son of the late Thomas Fawcett, in his 41st year.

COOPER—On Thursday, January 5, 1911, Edward A. Cooper, in his sixtieth year.

GIDDES—At Mt. Bethel (Dead River) Thursday, January 5, 1911, Benjamin M. Giddes, in his fortieth year.

BADGLEY—On Sunday, January 8, 1911, Charles Badgley, aged seventy-nine years.

STARKWEATHER—Sunday, January 8, 1911, Louis P. Starkweather, in his forty-ninth year.

HOLCOMBE—In North Plainfield, Thursday, January 5, 1911, Martha R. Holcombe, widow of the late Horace Holcombe, in her seventy-first year.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

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HIGH CLASS PICTURES AT PLAINFIELD THEATRE.

Nelson M. Haas, by arrangement with Proctor & Sanderson, will inaugurate an entertainment of high-class moving pictures, songs and instrumental music, on Saturday, at The Plainfield theatre. This form of entertainment will be provided at the theatre only on days when regular plays are not booked. There will be two performances a day, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and 8:30 o'clock in the evening.

The pictures Mr. Haas says, will be the best obtainable and the music will be of a high order. It is recognized he declares, that there are many people who are attracted by moving pictures, without vaudeville features, and the fact that the seats will be reserved will appeal to many as desirable.

Halstead C. Compton and daughter, Miss Mary Compton, have reached Nassau, Bahama Islands, after a delightful trip. They will remain at Nassau for an indefinite period.

The Misses Maizie and Katheryn Gray, of East Second street, have returned from a visit with friends in Newark.

CITY AND BOROUGH SHOULD BE ONE MUNICIPALITY

Randolph Tells Chamber of Commerce Why He Favors Consolidation.

Following is the speech on "Consolidation" delivered Thursday by former Mayor L. V. F. Randolph at a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce:

"A certain distinguished statesman of New Jersey has somewhat derisively accused our governor-elect of vainly supposing that he has received a commision to 'go and teach all nations.' The world can well exist and even progress with a limited supply of house-top oratory. The greatest of gospels was delivered in a single sentence, and the golden character of silence is as real now as ever it was. Some of us even who are gifted with oratorical accomplishments might do well to emulate the example of that devoted monk of the very early Christian ages, who, being especially famous as a linquist, made it his penance to remain perfectly silent for thirty years. Of another saint of that same age, it is said that he, Pambos, being himself unable to read, approached a teacher desiring to be taught a Psalm. Having learned a single passage, 'I will take heed to my ways that I offend not with my tongue,' he went away, remarking that for the time he had learned quite enough. When asked months afterwards, and again many years afterwards, why he did not come to learn another verse, Pambos replied that as yet he had neven been able truly to digest and master the wisdom of that single inspired passage.

"The subject upon which you have desired me to address you this evening, namely: The consolidation of the two municipalities which form our community, is one upon which argument and eloquence seem alike annecessary. And whatever requirements existed for argument have been quite fully met. 'Many citizens of North Plainfield, under such excellent leadership as that of Mayor Smalley and ex-Mayor Saunders, and a host of good citizens of the city of Plainfield have repeatedly urged the union. It was a significant remark recently made by Mayor Saunders to the effect that no one as yet on either side of Green Brook had presented a single reason for preventing this union. And this I believe to be a fact. It is strange that, in a matter of such utility and importance, mere lethargy should keep back the consummation so devoutly to be wished.

"But, perhaps, super-added to this dead weight has been some sort of political apprehension, or mis-apprehension. Some political party or some political aspirant has feared that certain party-plans or personally ambitious hopes might 'gang a gley' if this union were accomplished. For one, I have never been able to understand the ground of this sort of fear. Moreover, if ground there was for it, I have earnestly believed that it should not be permitted to prevent a thing that is at once desirable and necessary. Individual aspiration to office and partisan schemes are both paltry and contemptible obstacles to interpose.

"It is worse than absurd, it is well nigh criminal for a man to stand in the legislature, or elsewhere, obstructing the interests of an entire community in order that he may have a better chance of election or of re-election. It is hardly less absurd and wicked for a party machine to seek to prevent the required altering of municipal lines because such party machine might find one of its screws thereby loosened. Alas! the machine, like Tennyson's brook, 'goes on forever' and is ever watchful alike for danger on one hand and for advantage on the other, whilst the average citizen, having manfully cast the vote generously proffered by the party boss, considers his duty fully performed and proceeds to take a rest in regard to public obligation or to turn with new relish to more profitable employment. In a notable composition by Andrew D. White, entitled 'The Message of the Nineteenth Century to the Twentieth,' he has quoted the remark of a leading man of business in New York who said: 'We have thought this thing over, and we find it pays better to neglect our city affairs than to attend to them,—that we can make more money in the time required for the full discharge of our political duties than the politicians can steal from us on account of our not discharging them.' If, indeed, this is an expression of our highest and most reliable type of American patriotism, then we are truly in a pitiable state. Such citizenship might gain the whole world, but it would lose its own soul.

"In view of the dangers arising from thoughtlessness, neglect, party-bias and schemes of selfishness, there is a large sphere of usefulness opening up to institutions like your own. The great Chamber of Commerce in New York has rendered on many occasions inestimable services to the metropolis and to the nation. And at the very moment when you are holding this, your first annual meeting, you find ready at hand important duties in the discharge of which you can be eminently helpful and efficient. Plainfield is pressed with problems of over-shadowing importance. Two of these are the question of consolidation with North Plainfield and the question of securing an enduring and abundant supply of pure water. Both should be acted upon without delay. Action in both require the fullest exercise of intelligence, public spirit, energy and ripe business judgment. Your Chamber can be of great service in arousing interest in such questions and in wisely guiding public opinion and action in relation thereto.

"Regarding the subject of consolidation, there can, I think, be no serious question as to the desirableness of this union of Plainfield and North Plainfield. A few might wish to postpone, but surely not many citizens would desire defintely to prevent it.

"North Plainfield is fair and lovable; and naturally, Plainfield is in love with her, and would desire to marry her, and is encouraged to believe that her affection is reciprocated. Victor Hugo has charmingly told us in his best novel that one influence, more potently than all others, promotes love. More powerful than wealth or intellect,—more seductive than beauty,—more enticing than tender declaration,—more absorbingly effective than any or all of these is propinquity. In this blessed propinquity to each other live these two delightful municipalities. Plainfield is the older and greater. But surely not less lovely is the beautiful and attactive neighbor. They have grown together from childhood, have gossiped together in shop and postoffice and railway car, have rejoiced together on festal occasions and have wept together in hours of sorrow. They have attended the same schools and lectures and have worshipped at the same churches. They belong to each other. They should be married.

"After marriage, not before, comes housekeeping. Once or twice it has been by some one said: 'O, let the city and borough remain separate, but go into partnership on some agreed terms in relation to certain needed public improvements, such for example as sewer-works.' Is it not plain that such a plain is as unnatural as it must be unprofitable, and that it is the one way designed with cruel skill by the very Spirit of Evil to lead on to disagreements and quarrels. If they marry they have all things in common. They are then one harmonius unity; one happy and complete community. Thus joined, they are equal to all needful enterprises, whilst apart, they are each measurably insufficient and crippled—with a result of retarded progress. Every pound of power North Plainfield would bring us would count for fully two in any enterprise. And, merged with Plainfield, North Plainfield would speedily find her most difficult problems solved.

"In regard to this problem of sewerage just mentioned, North Plainfield is now experiencing difficulties of dealing with it lone-handed. The retiring Mayor of Plainfield considers the subject of sewerage to be one needing further early attention by the city. The problem should manifestly be solved as an entirety by the whole community on both sides of Green brook acting as one municipality. So, again, is it with our requirements for water. Our able water expert, Mr. Fuertes, shows, in his valuable new report, that the Stony brook water-shed cannot be relied upon. Any water supply from that quarter would be inadequate and impure and of insufficient pressure. Possibly, at some point of which I have no knowledge, North Plainfield might develop, from beneath her shale, a satisfactory supply. But such experiment must prove costly and be of doubtful result, and might also be found subject to legal complication. Just now she appears to be buying water which is purveyed to her unlawfully—supposing the doctrine laid down in the case of Meeker vs. East Orange is to be applied to this case, as would seem to be inevitable. If a company, or other party, may not deport water in pipes from a certain territory and sell it elsewhere, then the inhabitants of North Plainfield have, of right, at the present time no water-supply except what each householder can obtain by boring or drilling wells on his own property. Apparently in violation of private right such as are indicated in the precedent referred to, the water company operating in this section is conveying away and selling water pumped in Plainfield to North Plainfield, to Elizabeth and to other places. This cannot always go on. Both law and public necessity forbid it. It is really a matter requiring immediate attention from North Plainfield. The water problem can be solved by a Greater Plainfield acting as one city and only thus, if it is to be solved lawfully, economically and satisfactorily. It is a notorious fact that during the past year our water-pressure has been insufficient and our supply inadequate. And this lack and the serious peril incident thereto continue to the present moment. The shortage is a menace to our city, and, upon the application of the law as declared, becomes even a greater menace to North Plainfield. A pure water-supply, adequate beyond peradventure, is to us a vital necessity. Our community cannot thrive, or even live, without it. Certain means and plans are now open to us by which we may be protected and abundantly provided with this great essential to growth and prosperity. These means and plans imperatively demand that our community should instantly act as a homogeneous and effective unit—that is, as one single city or municipality.

"The time has fully come for dealing with these problems. Events will not wait. Our joint and several necessities refuse to accommodate themselves to our negligence and inertia. These two municipalities must come together. This denouement is as inevitable as the sunrise. When shall the union be consummated? Shall it be accomplished at once? If not, why not? Shall the way be immediately opened for the better enforcement of our laws and ordinances for a wholesome increase of population and prosperity and for the economical and advantageous settlement of our pressing problems; or shall we, as citizens, play the unworthy part of indifference and procrastination, and then go on to pay the penalty of such criminal negligence?

"As to specific methods or forms for accomplishing consolidation, I have none to urge. As to the result to be obtained, my own preference has been frankly expressed for a new county, with a Greater Plainfield as its county seat, but I am not obstinate about this, and I would not imperil the success of the movement by undertaking something that could not be accomplished. A political person has recently advised that our progress toward consolidation be along the line of least resistance. I am willing and desirous that our constituted authorities shall agree, and decide, upon the practical shape to be taken by the required legislation. With a more evenly balanced and relatively independent type of Legislature, such as will assemble this winter at Trenton, it should not be difficult to obtain the enactment of a law suitable to the occasion. This must be a matter of well-considered detail; and I feel sure that the common councils and law advisers and mayors of the two municipalities can agree on such matters and can place them before the lawmaking body in acceptable and effective form. It is for you, gentlemen of this chamber, and for others interested, to show plainly and earnestly to our authorities that the step contemplated is both wise and necessary. It was the activity of civic bodies like this, and of certain good citizens, that brought about the water-investigation and led the way to the action on that subject now known to be essential to our future well-being. Let this same civic energy and intelligence direct the movement for consolidation. Give of yourselves, gentlemen! Give of your ability and power for the benefit and enlargement of your town! Who would refuse thus to give, and to be given, in so good a cause?

"Long ago I heard of a sermon delivered by an excellent Methodist bishop on the freeness of the gospel —his text being: 'Come, buy, without money and without price!' Into his discourse an enthusiastic church- officer suddenly broke, with the exclamation: 'Yes, thank heaven, the Gospel is free! I have been a member here for twenty-five years, and it hasn't cost me twenty-five cents.' The half discomfited bishop had barely the patience and presence of mind to ejaculate: 'My dear brother, may the Lord have mercy on your poor stingy soul!' A like invocation might well be made over a citizen who enjoys the blessings and freedom of American democracy, but is too lazy or too stingy to give of himself, of his careful thought, and of his honest effort and influence for the maintenance and furtherance of whatever shall promote the true growth, and advance the highest interest of his town and state. Life, indeed, is not all altruism. We are not commanded to love our neighbors more than ourselves. But he man destitute of patriotism, public spirit and self-denial is a clog and a drag upon the community. As citizens, our interests and our public spirit may well sometimes commingle. We are even justified in taking a pride in doing that which must prove a benefit to ourselves, to our neighbors and to posterity. And it is in this spirit that we may act in bringing about the consolidation of these two municipalities."

A SKYSCRAPER LIGHTHOUSE.

New York Harbor's newest lighthouse, which stands guard over the Ambrose Channel, has just been completed at Hampton Court, Staten Island. The lights are raised 225 feet above sea level and will be visible at sea as well as through the length of New York Harbor, and even from the skyscrapers of Manhattan. A "second ordered kerosene vapor light" will be installed to throw rear range rays on the newly dredged Ambrose Channel, which forms an important short cut across the harbor.

The lighthouse will be very conscicuous both by day and night. It contains five balcony landings reached by a flight of 115 spiral stairs. It is a model lighthouse in every respect. The living-rooms are arranged to accommodate two families, and as a special luxury the government has provided a library to relieve the tedium of the watch. The lighthouse regulations call for inspection of the light at half-hour intervals throughout the night, and to make assurance doubly sure, a time clock has been installed, which must be attended like that of an ordinary factory.

SHE DISCUSSES POLITICS

Miss Richards Talks on Federal Questions to Monday Afternoon Club.

IS FOR THE PARCELS POST.

Talented Woman Also Upholds Direct Primaries and Tells How Beef Trust Has Hurt the People.

Miss Janet E. Richards, of Washington, D. C., gave her third talk on "Current History" Thursday afternoon in the Hartridge auditorium. In accordance with the wishes of her audience as expressed by a majority vote she devoted her talk to the discussion of home politics.

The vital question of the present day is the restoration of the true spirit and practice of democracy, therefore all progressive action must be in line with the placing of more power in the hands of the people, as opposed to control by the few great monied interests, she declared. President Taft's appointment of Justice White to the chief justiceship of the Supreme Court is well in line with this policy, Justice White having proved himself repeatedly on the people's side. The importance of this appointment as a blow against the illegal methods of the trusts can be gathered from the fact that in this body of nine men the vote of the ninth member on some question where the Supreme Court is divided in opinion carries the day.

Miss Richards dwelt on the kind of litigation coming before the Supreme Court and laid special emphasis on the fact that where the trusts were involved it was not litigation against the trusts and corporations as such but against their infringements of the Sherman anti-trust law, which declared it illegal to create a monopoly by crushing out or restraining the liberty of trade in others.

The lecturer cited the beef trust as an instance where a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law has not yet been adequately punished. The fine imposed by the civil courts merely resulting in an increased price for meat to the ultimate consumer. Six great beef packing houses in Chicago, by their entry into a monopolistic agreement were last year able to net a profit over all expenses of $25,000,000, whilst the amount of Armour's reserve fund is declared at $73,000,000. The advance in living prices owing to the illegal practices of the trusts has advanced sixty per cent. in the last ten years and statistics for the year 1910 show an increase in that year of fifteen per cent. in the cost of living.

Finding that all punishment in the form of fines was either taken out of the ultimate consumer in increased prices or from the employe in reduced wages, President Taft has determined these illegal methods of doing business must cease by calling off all civil suits against the various trusts and by instituting criminal proceedings against the individual heads of the trusts.

Miss Richards spoke on the demand now being urgently made for a parcel post and stated that though in almost all European countries eleven pounds are carried through the mail to the U. S. and from the U. S. to European countries the amount allowed within our own borders for mail carrying is but four pounds and that at higher proportional rates. John Wanamaker used to give four reasons for there being no American parcels post, namely, "Adams Express, United States Express, Wells-Fargo Express, American Express," and when we find the express companies net three hundred per cent. on their outlay it seems as if Mr. Wanamaker's reasons were not merely humorous.

Miss Richards touched on the question at present filling the minds of New Jersey politicians in the contest for Senator and said that though the direct primary law in New Jersey was defective still it was better than none and she hoped that people might educate themselves to its benefits and since there is such a law see that their voices as so expressed be executed in the appointments resultant.

The question of the railway waste and abuses of privileges by the high officials of the roads as one cause for that waste was also mentioned. The immense benefits conferred by the postal savings bank on people of small means and the necessity of making a postal savings bank in every city were dwelt upon as was the further activity and place in popular esteem of ex-President Roosevelt.

Miss Richards was listened to with the closest attention and warmly applauded at the close of her talk.

Falls Unconscious In Street.

Walter Cuming, of Putnam avenue, a young man of eighteen, while walking down Park avenue on Thursday evening, was taken suddenly ill and fell to the sidewalk exclaiming "Oh my head!" Since then for nearly all the time he has been unconscious and the cause of his illness remains a mystery to his physician. He has intervals of consciousness only to relapse into coma again. He is critically ill.

ELECTION OF CIVIC BODY

Chamber of Commerce Also Decides to Hold Dinner Monday, Feb 13.

CONSOLIDATION MASS MEETING

Communications From Manufacturters Seeking Sites Here—Fifteen Membership Applications.

Meeting for the first time in its new quarters, the Plainfield Chamber of Commerce listened to a discourse on the advisability of consolidation of the municipalities of this city and North Plainfield by former Mayor L. V. F. Randolph, who urged the merger of the two places, giving reasons which were approved by the majority of the members present. Mr. Randolph was followed by William Johnson, member of the Board of Trade of Perth Amboy. The latter not only wanted to see the two Plainfields formed into one but hoped the larger city would see its way clear to embrace his bailiwick in the change.

After the formal business of the meeting the first annual election was held and resulted as follows: President, George L. Babcock; vice presidents, Alexander Gilbert and William L. Saunders; treasurer, Eugene M. Laing; secretary, John Ulrich. The Board of Directors is composed of the following men: Joseph C. Allen, Paul H. Burns, David J. Carney, George M. Christian, F. A. Duttenhofer, Eugene M. Laing, P. J. McDohough, H. Schuldenfrei, T. J. Shirley, J. V. E. Vanderhoef and Lemuel B. Woolston.

The rules were suspended during the election and Hugh Sweeney, George M. Clark and H. Schuldenfrei appointed tellers. The election of the ticket was unanimous.

Among the communications read was one from Julius Tullar, president of a large typewriter manufactory, of Chicago. Mr. Tullar said that his company was looking for a desirable location for a factory which will employ a thousand hands and whose yearly payroll would amount to at least $350,000. Further correspondence will take care of this proposition and it is possible that the factory may locate here. Another concern which was anxious to enter the field here was the Easton Window Cleaning Company. They will be notified that there are already two enterprises of that nature in the city. The Chicago Record-Herald wrote that a special industrial edition of their paper would be furnished free for readers in the Chamber and asked how many were wanted. Five copies of the edition were ordered.

Other communications were read including one from the National Civic Federation, which invited the chamber to send delegates to the annual convention which will be held at the Hotel Astor, New York, on January 12. President Babcock will appoint delegates later. Theodore Roosevelt and Elihu Root will be the speakers on that occasion.

Monday, February 13 was the date decided upon for the annual banquet. It is proposed to make this a feature for Lincoln's Birthday of every year. Five committees remain to be appointed for the banquet: Speakers and reception; invitations; hall and music; finance, printing and tickets, all of which will be announced later.

The following are the members elected last night:

Henry A. McGee, vice-president Plainfield Trust Co., L. K. Strause, president of the Baker and Voorhees Pub. Co., former Mayor L. V. F. Randolph, postmaster Elias H. Bird, G. G. Andrews, manager of the Public Service Electric Co., W. R. Causebrook, manager Public Service Gas Co., M. & A. Tepper, A. T. Goodenough, Alexander Milne, Henry Windham, George M. Clark, Dr. B. VanD. Hedges, Thomas L. Mellick, Milton Mandel and C. W. Krousse.

A resolution introduced by George M. Christian and which was carried without a dissenting voice was as follows:

"Resolved, that the Board of Directors take under consideration the advisability of holding a public meeting upon the question of consolidation of the Borough of North Plainfield with the City of Plainfield some time during this month or the month of February, and in the event the board concludes favorably upon such meeting that it be authorized and empowered to make all necessary arrangements with respect to same."

A letter from the Dunellen Board of Trade in reference to acting in concert with the chamber on the question of telephone rates was read as was one from Fred R. Stevens, in which a copy of a letter to W. G. Besler, vice-president and general manager of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, was enclosed. Mr. Stevens called attention to the train service between Plainfield and Philadelphia. All the communications were referred to the proper committees.

Fifteen applications for membership in the chamber were received and acted upon favorably after the meeting adjourned to enjoy a concert given by Charles G. Glover on a phonograhp. Sixty members were present.

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DEPUE IS RE-APPOINTED

Newark Lawyer Continued as Counsel to Soro Sewerage Commission.

ROGERS MADE A MEMBER

Mayor Newton B. Smalley's Appointments are Confirmed by the North Plainfield Council.

The North Plainfield Council held the first regular session of the year, Friday, but owning to the fact that a session had been held Monday for reorganization, practically nothing but routine business was transacted. All the members were in attendance.

Mayor Smalley made a number of additional appointments, among them that of George T. Rogers as a member of the sewage commission. He has been acting in this capacity as a representative of the council and is familiar with the doings of the organization. In the future the commission will invite a number of the council to attend the conferences.

The Mayor acted upon the request of the sewage commission and re-appointed Sherrard Depue, of the legal firm of Lindabury, Depue and Faulks as its counsel. He is consulted whenever it becomes necessary and the compensation is fixed accordingly. The appointment was confirmed.

The report of Tax Collector Brown showed that during the month of December the borough's receipts had been $60,764.43, the disbursements $58,919.21, leaving a balance of $1,845,22. Recorder Dolliver's report showed that there had been ten arrests during the past month and $20 in fines collected.

The following bonds were submitted as renewals and referred to the finance committee for approval: G. F. Brown, tax collector, $10,000; Fred Becker, overseer of the poor, $500; Frederick A. Martin, borough clerk, $500. Applications were granted for these building permits: C. D. Manning, alterations to lower part of house at Sycamore and Myrtle avenues; W. E. Benjamin, Park place, chicken house, 15x20 feet, one story in height.

The council discussed at some length the purchase of a large safe which has been offered by the State Trust Company. The borough now has two small ones and it was the expressed opinion that a large receptacle would be the best, thus keeping all books and papers in one place. Mayor Smalley was appointed a committee of one to make inquiry and report.

The council confirmed the following committees and appointments made by Mayor Smalley:

Marshals for special duty; William Kiernan, John Johnson, Peter Bowers, D. C. Adams, William McCullough, John Y. Barrett, Theodore Martin, George Giddes, James L. Ollif, George B. Stewart, G. W. Giddes, Raymond Schenck, Richard MacDonald, Henry Johnson F. M. Whitley, C. R. Guinee, H. Klinsman, H. Meyers, John Schenck, John Reineman, Erick Sohl, Frank Schenck, Clark Mundy, Theodore Smith; Callmen; Walter Chandler, Frank Keller, James C. Walker, Percy Culver, Clinton Conover, Albert DeCamp, Harry Schuck, Claude Hann, George Morton; Committees of the council: Audit and Finance; Alex Milne and L. B. Woolston; Stationary; L. B. Woolston and Alex. Milne; Streets and Public Health; B. R. Waldron and J. J. Stahl; Fire and Hydrants; J. J. Stahl and M. C. VanArsdale; Laws, Ordinances and Taxation; W. L. Smalley and B. R. Waldron; Marshals and Lamps; M. C. VanArsdale and W. L. Smalley.

MAY CONSULT WILSON REGARDING SCHOOLSHIP

It is probable that Pobation Officer Charles Irwin, of Union County, will consult with Governor Wilson after his inauguration into office on his proposed establishment of a State schoolship for the training of juvenile delinquents. Major Irwin has been making a careful study of the project and has secured some valuable information from naval men from all parts of the country and England.

Nearly all the naval men are inclined to believe that the project is an excellent one. Major Irwin has heard from the commander of the Xmouth, a British training ship for poor boys, and he has secured some valuable points on the training of youngsters on water.

Boys on this English ship are taught nearly everything that a cadet in nautical schools should be taught. They are graduated as musicians, being taught the art of playing the string and brass instruments. They are taught to sew and to become wireless operators. Master certificates are given boys finishing a prescribed course. Fom this English ship boys go into the merchant marine service and into the Royal Navy. Eighty-six per cent. of the boys trained on English schoolships fillow the sea as a profession.

A new meter registers how long a telephone is used.

PUTS BAN ON CIGARETTE

Mayor Moy to Start Vigorous Campaign Against the Weed.

DEALERS MUST BE CAREFUL.

It is Unlawful to Give the Little Things Away As Well As to Sell Them to Minors.

"Cigarettes are a bad thing for boys," said Mayor George W. V. Moy yesterday morning, "and I am going to put a stop to the sale of them to youths under eighteen years of age if such a thing is possible. I realize that while the secret giving of the abominable things is kept very close and is hard to get at, that something must be done to curb the habit among schoolboys.

"I am going to wage a vigorous crusade against those who sell cigarettes to boys under age and will be as severe against them as the law allows. The laws specifies that it is a misdemeanor to even give the cigarettes away and, if I am not mistaken, this part of the law applies as much to grown up persons, friends and others as it does to dealers.

"School teachers continually report the odor of cigarette smoke on the boys' clothing and breath and find when they question the lads that they have been given the stuff they smoke. But I have learned that there are certain places, whose locations I do not know now, where any boy may purchase cigarettes without question as to his age. I will locate these stores and will put a stop to the practice summarily."

It is a well known fact that one of the officers connected with the schools sent a fifteen-year-old boy to a store in the neighborhood of a certain school providing him with a nickle with which to purchase a package of cigarettes. The boy returned with them and said he had been served without a question as to his age.

"FIRST AID LECTURES" BEGIN AT THE Y. W. C. A.

The initial lecture in the "First Aid" series to be held at the Y. W. C. A., was given Thursday by Dr. W. H. Murray. It had been announced that the attendance would be limited to twenty-five but more than forty young women were present.

Dr. Murray's lecture was an introductory to the others that are to follow and he discussed the human body in general, but dwelling particularly on the treatment of shock and acute indigestion. He used a miniature manikin to illustrate portions of the talk, thus enabling his hearers to follow clearly. They also had reference to a "first aid" text book supplied by the American Red Cross Society, and which gives a list of questions for examinations at the conclusion of the series.

Dr. Murray's instructions for treatment of shock were put in concise terms. He compared shocks to the nervous system with fainting and told how aromatic spirits of ammonia should be used, also how to note stages of condition by the color of the patients face. In speaking of indigestion he defined symptoms, forms and treatment.

Last night's lecture will be repeated next Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 for the day classes and the next in the series takes place next Thursday night. Dr. Norman H. Probasco will be the lecturer and he will talk on "Bandaging." In relation to this he will take up all injuries in which the skin is broken and how to treat bruises and abrasions.

HERE AND THERE.

Weather Prophet John Neagle has compiled the following statistics of December weather, 1910:

Highest temperature, 50 degrees, 30th; lowest temperature, one degree and one degree below zero, 10th; mean temperature, 26.2; normal temperature, 32.4; mean maximum temperature, 34.5; mean minimum temperature, 17.8; greatest daily range, 30; monthly range, 51; mean daily range, 16.7; total precipitation, 2.54 inches; normal precipitation, 3.89 inches; greatest amount in twenty-four hours, 1.06 inches; date, 24th; total fall of snow, 10.0 inches; normal fall of snow, 5.4 inches; amount of snow on ground, 15th, 25 inches; 31st, none; number of rainy days, 12; number of days clear, 10; partly cloudy, 11; cloudy, 10; pravailing winds, northwest. The mean temperature was 5.7 degrees below the normal. The precipitation was 1.35 inches below the normal.

A Plainfield man saved all the five cent pieces he could spare during the year in a box and when he opened it there was $152.25. This amount he exchanged for bank bills and presented them to his wife as a Christmas gift. Singularly enough her Xmas gift to him was $100 in gold. She having saved that amount in ten cent pieces during the year.